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August 21, 2007

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES: APPROVAL OF
EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR SERVICES
AGREEMENT FOR AUTOMATED OUTPATIENT PHARMACEUTICAL
DISPENSING SYSTEMS WITH PARATA SYSTEMS, LLC
(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS)**

(3 VOTES)

CIO RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE (X)

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Authorize the Director of Health Services, or his designee, to sign and execute an Agreement with Parata Systems, LLC, substantially similar to Exhibit I, for the provision of equipment maintenance and repair services for automated outpatient pharmaceutical dispensing systems installed at four Department of Health Services facilities that are coming off the one-year purchase warranty, effective September 1, 2007 through August 31, 2012, at an annual maximum obligation of \$145,802, and a five-year total of \$729,010.
2. Delegate authority to the Director of Health Services, or his designee, to add equipment maintenance and repair services at 11 Department of Health Services facilities when the purchase warranty expires which is one-year after the equipment is installed, at the annual rate for the specific facility listed in Attachment B, with a potential annual maximum obligation of \$393,488, and a potential five-year total of \$1,967,442.

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AGREEMENT

BY AND BETWEEN

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

AND

PARATA SYSTEMS, LLC

FOR

PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR SERVICES

OF

AUTOMATED OUTPATIENT PHARMACY WORKFLOW SOFTWARE SYSTEM

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Contract No. _____

PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR SERVICES AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into this _____ day
of _____ 2007,

by and between COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
(hereafter "County"),

and PARATA SYSTEMS, LLC
(hereafter "Contractor").

WHEREAS, pursuant to sections 1441 and 1445 of the California Health and Safety Code, County has established and operates, through its Department of Health Services (hereafter "DHS"), various County hospitals, comprehensive health centers, public health centers, and other health care facilities and programs (hereafter collectively referred to as "Facility(ies)"; and

WHEREAS, County desires the services of a contractor to provide preventive maintenance and repairs services; and

WHEREAS, County has determined that the services to be provided under this Agreement are of a technical nature to the extent that DHS is unable to recruit qualified personnel with the requisite training, knowledge, or experience to perform such services; and

WHEREAS, Contractor is authorized under the laws of the State of California to engage in the business of providing preventive maintenance and repair services, and possesses the

competence, expertise, and personnel necessary to provide such services described hereunder; and

WHEREAS, this Agreement is authorized by provisions of section 1451 of the California Health and Safety Code and sections 26227 and 31000 of the California Government Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises and covenants set forth herein, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. TERM: The term of this Agreement shall commence effective September 1, 2007 by County's Board of Supervisors, and shall continue for one year which will be automatically renewed under the same terms and conditions through August 31, 2012 unless sooner canceled or terminated as provided herein. Either party may give written notice to the other party within thirty (30) days of the end of the year stating their request to not renew the Agreement.

2. DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES:

A. Contractor shall provide services in the form as described in the body of this Agreement and Exhibit A, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

B. Contractor warrants that it possesses the competence, expertise, and personnel necessary to provide such services.

C. The Director of Department of Health Services or his designee ("Director") may add or remove related equipment at DHS Facilities as necessary to provide patient care or to assure that facility operations are maintained.

D. Contractor and County each acknowledge and agree that maintenance services to be provided to County by Contractor for any future systems purchased by County shall be negotiated in good faith between the parties, provided, however, that maintenance services shall be provided to County at ten percent (10%) of the retail purchase price for systems at a rate of no more than ten percent (10%) of the acquisition price.

3. NONEXCLUSIVITY: Contractor acknowledges that it is not necessarily the exclusive provider to County of services provided under the terms of this Agreement, and that County has, or may enter into, agreements with other providers of such services, or may perform all or part of same, when possible, using County employees.

4. BILLING AND PAYMENT:

A. County agrees to compensate Contractor in accordance with the terms set forth in Exhibit A and Schedule 1, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

B. Contractor shall bill DHS' Harbor-UCLA Medical Center (Harbor), General Accounting, Box 479, 1000 West Carson Street, Torrance, CA 90509; LAC+USC Medical Center, c/o Invoice Processing, P.O. Box 86601, Los Angeles, CA 90031; Olive View Medical Center (OVMC), c/o Invoice Processing, 14445 Olive View Drive, Sylmar, CA, 91342; Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center (Rancho),

c/o Finance Department, 7601 East Imperial Highway, SSA Building - Room 2208, Downey, CA 90242; Martin Luther King, Jr.-Harbor Hospital (King), c/o Harbor-UCLA Medical Center, General Accounting, Box 479, 1000 West Carson Street, Torrance, CA 90509; High Desert Health System, 44900 North 60th Street, West, Lancaster, CA 93536, hereunder according to the terms set forth in the payment requirements of said Exhibit.

5. MAXIMUM OBLIGATION OF COUNTY:

A. The maximum obligation of County for all services provided hereunder shall not exceed the annual amounts listed on Schedule 1.

B. The Director may adjust the County's maximum obligation during each year of the Agreement term by no more than twenty percent (20%) of the first year allocation for unanticipated maintenance and repair services.

6. NO PAYMENT FOR SERVICES PROVIDED FOLLOWING EXPIRATION/TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT: Contractor shall have no claim against County for the payment of any monies, or reimbursements of any kind whatsoever, for any service provided by Contractor after the expiration or other termination of this Agreement, even if Contractor's provision of such services were requested by County directly. Should Contractor receive any such payment, it shall immediately notify County and shall repay or return all such funds or reimbursements to County within a

reasonable amount of time. Payment by County for services rendered after expiration/termination of this Agreement shall not constitute a waiver of County's right to recover such payment from Contractor. This provision shall survive the expiration or termination of this Agreement.

7. INDEMNIFICATION AND MUTUAL LIMITATION OF LIABILITY:

A. Indemnification: Contractor shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless County and its Special Districts, elected and appointed officers, employees, and agents from and against any and all liability, including but not limited to demands, claims, actions, fees, costs, and expenses (including attorney and expert witness fees), arising from or connected with Contractor's acts and/or omissions arising from and/or relating to this Agreement.

B. MUTUAL LIMITATION OF LIABILITY: IN NO EVENT WILL EITHER PARTY BE LIABLE TO EACH OTHER FOR ANY SPECIAL, INCIDENTAL, PUNITIVE, INDIRECT OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES. NOTWITHSTANDING ANYTHING HEREIN TO THE CONTRARY (OR IN THE STANDARD PROVISIONS) EACH PARTY'S TOTAL CUMULATIVE LIABILITY (EXCLUDING COUNTY'S PAYMENT OBLIGATIONS HEREUNDER) TO EACH OTHER UNDER THE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS AND WITH RESPECT TO ANY SOFTWARE OR SERVICES DELIVERED UNDER THE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS WILL BE LIMITED TO FIVE HUNDRED THIRTY-NINE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$539,000). However, this limitation of liability shall not apply to any liability or claims for damages which are payable under the terms of any commercial insurance policies

required to be maintained by Contractor pursuant to this Agreement.

8. GENERAL INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS: Without limiting Contractor's indemnification of County and during the term of this Agreement, Contractor shall provide and maintain, and shall require all of its subcontractors to maintain, the following programs of insurance specified in this Agreement. Such insurance shall be primary to and not contributing with any other insurance or self-insurance programs maintained by County, and such coverage shall be provided and maintained at Contractor's own expense. Contractor may satisfy the insurance coverage requirements specified in this Agreement by providing evidence of Contractor's self-insurance program, as described in the INSURANCE COVERAGE REQUIREMENTS Paragraph, hereinbelow. Such evidence shall be provided in a formal declaration (on Contractor's letterhead, if available) that declares Contractor is self-insured for the type and amount of coverage as described in INSURANCE COVERAGE REQUIREMENTS Paragraph, hereinbelow. Contractor's declaration may be in the form of a corporate resolution or a certified statement from a corporate officer or an authorized principal of Contractor. The statement also must identify which required coverages are self-insured and which are commercially insured. Contractors who are self-insured for workers compensation must provide a copy of their "Certificate of Consent to Self-Insure" issued by the State in which services will be provided. Further, Contractor's self-insurance program

must be reviewed and approved by County's Risk Manager prior to the effective date of this Agreement.

A. Evidence of Insurance: Certificate(s) or other evidence of coverage satisfactory to County's Risk Manager shall be delivered to Director at the: DHS; Contracts and Grants Division; 313 North Figueroa Street, 6th Floor-East; Los Angeles, California 90012-2659, and provide a copy to DHS; Centralized Contract Monitoring Division; 5555 Ferguson Drive, Suite 210; Commerce, California 90022, prior to commencing services under this Agreement. Such certificates or other evidence shall:

- (1) Specifically identify this Agreement.
- (2) Clearly evidence all coverages required in this Agreement.
- (3) Contain the express condition that County is to be given written notice by mail at least thirty (30) calendar days in advance of cancellation for all policies evidenced on the certificate of insurance.
- (4) Include copies of the additional insured endorsement to the commercial general liability policy, adding County of Los Angeles, its Special Districts, its officials, officers, and employees as insured for all activities arising from this Agreement.
- (5) Identify any deductibles or self-insured retentions for County's Risk Manager approval. County's Risk Manager retains the right to require

Contractor to reduce or eliminate such deductibles or self-insured retentions as they apply to County, or, require Contractor to provide a bond guaranteeing payment of all such retained losses and related costs, including, but not limited to, expenses or fees, or both, related to investigations, claims administrations, and legal defense. Such bond shall be executed by a corporate surety licensed to transact business in the State of California.

B. Insurer Financial Ratings: Insurance is to be provided by an insurance company acceptable to County's Risk Manager with an A.M. Best rating of not less than A:VII, unless otherwise approved by County's Risk Manager.

C. Failure to Maintain Coverage: Failure by Contractor to maintain the required insurance, or to provide evidence of insurance coverage acceptable to County's Risk Manager, shall constitute a material breach of contract upon which County may immediately terminate or suspend this Agreement. County, at its sole option, may obtain damages from Contractor resulting from said breach. Alternatively, County may purchase such required insurance coverage, and without further notice to Contractor, County may deduct from sums due to Contractor any premium costs advanced by County for such insurance.

D. Notification of Incidents, Claims, or Suits: Contractor shall report to County:

(1) Any accident or incident relating to services performed under this Agreement which involves injury or property damage which may result in the filing of a claim or lawsuit against Contractor and/or County. Such report shall be made in writing within twenty-four (24) hours of occurrence.

(2) Any third party claim or lawsuit filed against Contractor arising from or related to services performed by Contractor under this Agreement.

(3) Any injury to a Contractor employee which occurs on County property. This report shall be submitted on a County "Non-Employee Injury Report" to County contract manager.

(4) Any loss, disappearance, destruction, misuse, or theft of any kind whatsoever of County property, monies, or securities entrusted to Contractor under the terms of this Agreement.

E. Compensation for County Costs: In the event that Contractor fails to comply with any of the indemnification or insurance requirements of this Agreement, and such failure to comply results in any costs to County, Contractor shall pay full compensation for all costs incurred by County.

F. Insurance Coverage Requirements for

Subcontractors: Contractor shall ensure any and all subcontractors performing services under this Agreement meet the insurance requirements of this Agreement by either:

(1) Contractor providing evidence of insurance covering the activities of subcontractors, or

(2) Contractor providing evidence submitted by subcontractors evidencing that subcontractors maintain the required insurance coverage. County retains the right to obtain copies of evidence of subcontractor insurance coverage at any time.

9. INSURANCE COVERAGE REQUIREMENTS:

A. General Liability Insurance (written on Insurance Services Office ["ISO"] policy form "CG 00 01" or its equivalent) with limits of not less than the following:

General Aggregate:	\$2 Million
Products/Completed Operations Aggregate:	\$2 Million
Personal and Advertising Injury:	\$1 Million
Each Occurrence:	\$1 Million

B. Automobile Liability Insurance (written on ISO policy form "CA 00 01" or its equivalent) with a limit of liability of not less than \$1 Million for each accident. Such insurance shall include coverage for all "owned", "hired" and "non-owned" vehicles, or coverage for "any auto".

C. Workers' Compensation and Employers' Liability insurance providing workers' compensation benefits, as

required by the Labor Code of the State of California or by any other state, and for which Contractor is responsible.

In all cases, the above insurance also shall include Employers' Liability coverage with limits of not less than the following:

Each Accident:	\$1 Million
Disease - Policy Limit:	\$1 Million
Disease - Each Employee:	\$1 Million

D. Professional Liability: Insurance covering liability arising from any error, omission, negligent or wrongful act of the Contractor, its officers or employees with limits of not less than \$1 million per occurrence and \$3 million aggregate. The coverage also shall provide an extended two year reporting period commencing upon termination or cancellation of this Agreement.

10. SUBCONTRACTING:

A. For purposes of this Agreement, all subcontracts must first be approved in writing by Director. Contractor's written request to Director for approval to enter into a subcontract shall be made at least thirty (30) calendar days prior to the subcontractor's proposed effective date, and shall include:

(1) Identification of the proposed subcontractor, who shall be licensed as appropriate for provision of subcontract services, and an explanation of why and how

the proposed subcontractor was selected, including the degree of competition involved.

(2) A detailed description of the services to be provided by the subcontractor.

(3) The proposed subcontract amount and manner of compensation, if any, together with Contractor's cost or price analysis thereof.

(4) A copy of the proposed subcontract. Any later modification of such subcontract shall take the form of a formally written subcontract amendment which also must be approved in writing by Director in the same manner as described above, before such amendment is effective.

(5) Any other information and/or certification(s) requested by Director.

B. Director shall review Contractor's request to subcontract and shall determine, in his/her sole discretion, whether or not to consent to such a request on a case-by-case basis.

C. Subcontracts shall be made in the name of Contractor and shall not bind nor purport to bind County. The making of subcontracts hereunder shall not relieve Contractor of any requirements under this Agreement, including, but not limited to, the duty to properly supervise and coordinate the work of subcontractors. Further, Director's approval of any subcontract shall also

not be construed to limit in any way, any of County's rights or remedies contained in this Agreement.

D. In the event that Director consents to any subcontracting, Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for any and all payments or other compensation to all subcontractors, and their officers, employees, and agents.

E. In the event that Director consents to any subcontracting, such consent shall be subject to County's right to terminate, in whole or in part, any subcontract at any time upon written notice to Contractor when such action is deemed by County to be in its best interest. County shall not be liable or responsible in any way to Contractor, or any subcontractor, or to any officers, employees, or agents, of Contractor, or any subcontractor, for any liability, damages, costs, or expenses, arising from or related to County's exercising of such a right.

F. Subcontracts shall contain the following provision: "This contract is a subcontract under the terms of a prime contract with the County of Los Angeles and shall be subject to all of the provisions of such prime contract." Further, Contractor shall also reflect as subcontractor requirements in the subcontract form all of the requirements of the following paragraphs of the body of this Agreement:
NO PAYMENT FOR SERVICES PROVIDED FOLLOWING EXPIRATION/
TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT, INDEMNIFICATION, GENERAL INSURANCE

REQUIREMENTS, INSURANCE COVERAGE REQUIREMENTS, SUBCONTRACTING, CONSTRUCTION, and CONFLICT OF TERMS, as well as, all of the provisions of the STANDARD PROVISIONS attachment.

Contractor shall deliver to Director a fully executed copy of each subcontract entered into by Contractor, as it pertains to the provision of services under this Agreement, on or immediately after the effective date of the subcontract, but in no event, later than the date any services are to be performed under the subcontract.

G. Director is hereby authorized to act for and on the behalf of County pursuant to this Paragraph, including but not limited to, consenting to any subcontracting.

11. COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE LAW:

A. Contractor shall comply with the requirements of all federal, State, and local laws, ordinances, regulations, rules, guidelines, and directives, applicable to its performance hereunder. To the extent there is any conflict between federal and State or local laws, the former shall prevail.

Any reference to a specific statute, regulation, or any other document not prepared by County is deemed to include a reference to any amendment thereto as of the effective date of such amendment; further, this Agreement shall be interpreted consistently with, and the parties' duties and obligations under this Agreement shall be consistent with,

any amendment to any applicable statute, regulation or other document not prepared by County which occurs after the effective date of the Agreement.

B. Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless County from and against any and all loss, damage, liability, or expense resulting from any violation on the part of Contractor, its officers, employees, or agents, of such federal, State, or local laws, regulations, guidelines, or directives.

12. CONTRACTOR'S OBLIGATION AS A BUSINESS ASSOCIATE UNDER THE HEALTH INSURANCE PORTABILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 1996:

Under this Agreement, Contractor ("Business Associate") provides services ("Services") to County ("Covered Entity") and Business Associate receives, has access to or creates Protected Health Information in order to provide those Services. Covered Entity is subject to the Administrative Simplification requirements of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 ("HIPAA"), and regulations promulgated thereunder, including the Standards for Privacy of Individually Identifiable Health Information ("Privacy Regulations") and the Health Insurance Reform: Security Standards ("the Security Regulations") at 45 Code of Federal Regulations Parts 160 and 164 (together, the "Privacy and Security Regulations").

The Privacy and Security Regulations require Covered Entity to enter into a contract with Business Associate in order to mandate certain protections for the privacy and security of

Protected Health Information, and those Regulations prohibit the disclosure to or use of Protected Health Information by Business Associate if such a contract is not in place;

Therefore, the parties agree as follows:

DEFINITIONS

- 1.1 "Disclose" and "Disclosure" mean, with respect to Protected Health Information, the release, transfer, provision of access to, or divulging in any other manner of Protected Health Information outside Business Associate's internal operations or to other than its employees.
- 1.2 "Electronic Media" has the same meaning as the term "electronic media" in 45 C.F.R. § 160.103. Electronic Media means (1) Electronic storage media including memory devices in computers (hard drives) and any removable/transportable digital memory medium, such as magnetic tape or disk, optical disk, or digital memory card; or (2) Transmission media used to exchange information already in electronic storage media. Transmission media include, for example, the internet (wide-open), extranet (using internet technology to link a business with information accessible only to collaborating parties), leased lines, dial-up lines, private networks, and the physical movement of removable/transportable electronic storage media. Certain transmissions, including of paper, via facsimile, and of voice, via telephone, are not considered to be transmissions via electronic media, because the information

being exchanged did not exist in electronic form before the transmission.

The term "Electronic Media" draws no distinction between internal and external data, at rest (that is, in storage) as well as during transmission.

1.3 "Electronic Protected Health Information" has the same meaning as the term "electronic protected health information" in 45 C.F.R. § 160.103. Electronic Protected Health Information means Protected Health Information that is (i) transmitted by electronic media; (ii) maintained in electronic media.

1.4 "Individual" means the person who is the subject of Protected Health Information and shall include a person who qualifies as a personal representative in accordance with 45 C.F.R. § 164.502(g).

1.5 "Protected Health Information" has the same meaning as the term "protected health information" in 45 C.F.R. § 164.501, limited to the information created or received by Business Associate from or on behalf of Covered Entity. Protected Health Information includes information that (i) relates to the past, present or future physical or mental health or condition of an Individual; the provision of health care to an Individual, or the past, present or future payment for the provision of health care to an Individual; (ii) identifies the Individual (or for which there is a reasonable basis for believing that the information can be used to identify the

Individual); and (iii) is received by Business Associate from or on behalf of Covered Entity, or is created by Business Associate, or is made accessible to Business Associate by Covered Entity. "Protected Health Information" includes Electronic Health Information.

1.6 "Required By Law" means a mandate contained in law that compels an entity to make a Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information and that is enforceable in a court of law. Required by law includes, but is not limited to, court orders and court-ordered warrants; subpoenas or summons issued by a court, grand jury, a governmental or tribal inspector general, or any administrative body authorized to require the production of information; a civil or an authorized investigative demand; Medicare conditions of participation with respect to health care providers participating in the program; and statutes or regulations that require the production of information, including statutes or regulations that require such information if payment is sought under a government program providing benefits.

1.7 "Security Incident" means the attempted or successful unauthorized access, Use, Disclosure, modification, or destruction of information in, or interference with system operations of, an Information System which contains Electronic Protected Health Information. However, Security Incident does not include attempts to access an Information System when those attempts are not reasonably considered by Business

Associate to constitute an actual threat to the Information System.

1.8 "Services" has the same meaning as in the body of this Agreement.

1.9 "Use" or "Uses" mean, with respect to Protected Health Information, the sharing, employment, application, utilization, examination or analysis of such Information within Business Associate's internal operations.

1.10 Terms used, but not otherwise defined in this Paragraph shall have the same meaning as those terms in the HIPAA Regulations.

OBLIGATIONS OF BUSINESS ASSOCIATE

2.1 Permitted Uses and Disclosures of Protected Health Information. Business Associate:

(a) shall Use and Disclose Protected Health Information as necessary to perform the Services, and as provided in Sections 2.3, 2.4, 2.5, 2.6, 2.7, 2.8, 4.3 and 5.2 of this Agreement;

(b) shall Disclose Protected Health Information to Covered Entity upon request;

(c) may, as necessary for the proper management and administration of its business or to carry out its legal responsibilities:

(i) Use Protected Health Information; and

(ii) Disclose Protected Health Information if the Disclosure is Required by Law.

Business Associate shall not Use or Disclose Protected Health Information for any other purpose.

2.2 Adequate Safeguards for Protected Health Information.

Business Associate:

(a) shall implement and maintain appropriate safeguards to prevent the Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information in any manner other than as permitted by this Paragraph. Business Associate agrees to limit the Use and Disclosure of Protected Health Information to the minimum necessary in accordance with the Privacy Regulation's minimum necessary standard.

(b) effective as of April 20, 2005, specifically as to Electronic Health Information, shall implement and maintain administrative, physical, and technical safeguards that reasonably and appropriately protect the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of Electronic Protected Health Information.

2.3 Reporting Non-Permitted Use or Disclosure and Security Incidents. Business Associate shall report to Covered Entity each Use or Disclosure that is made by Business Associate, its employees, representatives, agents or subcontractors but is not specifically permitted by this Agreement, as well as, effective as of April 20, 2005, each Security Incident of which Business Associate becomes aware. The initial report shall be made by telephone call to the Departmental Privacy Officer, telephone number 1(800) 711-5366 within forty-eight

(48) hours from the time the Business Associate becomes aware of the non-permitted Use or Disclosure or Security Incident, followed by a full written report no later than ten (10) business days from the date the Business Associate becomes aware of the non-permitted Use or Disclosure or Security Incident to the Chief Privacy Officer at:

Chief Privacy Officer
Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple St.
Suite 525
Los Angeles, CA 90012

2.4 Mitigation of Harmful Effect. Business Associate agrees to mitigate, to the extent practicable, any harmful effect that is known to Business Associate of a Use or Disclosure of Protected Health Information by Business Associate in violation of the requirements of this Paragraph.

2.5 Availability of Internal Practices, Books and Records to Government Agencies. Business Associate agrees to make its internal practices, books and records relating to the Use and Disclosure of Protected Health Information available to the Secretary of the federal Department of Health and Human Services for purposes of determining Covered Entity's compliance with the Privacy and Security Regulations. Business Associate shall immediately notify Covered Entity of any requests made by the Secretary and provide Covered Entity with copies of any documents produced in response to such request.

2.6 Access to Protected Health Information. Business Associate shall, to the extent Covered Entity determines that any Protected Health Information constitutes a "designated record set" as defined by 45 C.F.R. § 164.501, make the Protected Health Information specified by Covered Entity available to the Individual(s) identified by Covered Entity as being entitled to access and copy that Protected Health Information. Business Associate shall provide such access for inspection of that Protected Health Information within two (2) business days after receipt of request from Covered Entity. Business Associate shall provide copies of that Protected Health Information within five (5) business days after receipt of request from Covered Entity.

2.7 Amendment of Protected Health Information. Business Associate shall, to the extent Covered Entity determines that any Protected Health Information constitutes a "designated record set" as defined by 45 C.F.R. § 164.501, make any amendments to Protected Health Information that are requested by Covered Entity. Business Associate shall make such amendment within ten (10) business days after receipt of request from Covered Entity in order for Covered Entity to meet the requirements under 45 C.F.R. § 164.526.

2.8 Accounting of Disclosures. Upon Covered Entity's request, Business Associate shall provide to Covered Entity an accounting of each Disclosure of Protected Health Information

made by Business Associate or its employees, agents, representatives or subcontractors.

[Optional, to be used when all Uses and Disclosures permitted in order to perform the Services will be for the Covered Entity's payment or health care operations activities: However, Business Associate is not required to provide an accounting of Disclosures that are necessary to perform the Services because such Disclosures are for either payment or health care operations purposes, or both.]

Any accounting provided by Business Associate under this Section 2.8 shall include: (a) the date of the Disclosure; (b) the name, and address if known, of the entity or person who received the Protected Health Information; (c) a brief description of the Protected Health Information disclosed; and (d) a brief statement of the purpose of the Disclosure. For each Disclosure that could require an accounting under this Section 2.8, Business Associate shall document the information specified in (a) through (d), above, and shall securely maintain the information for six (6) years from the date of the Disclosure. Business Associate shall provide to Covered Entity, within ten (10) business days after receipt of request from Covered Entity, information collected in accordance with this Section 2.8 to permit Covered Entity to respond to a request by an Individual for an accounting of disclosures of Protected Health Information in accordance with 45 C.F.R. § 164.528.

OBLIGATION OF COVERED ENTITY

3.1 Obligation of Covered Entity. Covered Entity shall notify Business Associate of any current or future restrictions or limitations on the use of Protected Health Information that would affect Business Associate's performance of the Services, and Business Associate shall thereafter restrict or limit its own uses and disclosures accordingly.

TERM AND TERMINATION

4.1 Term. The term of this Paragraph shall be the same as the term of this Agreement. Business Associate's obligations under Sections 2.1 (as modified by Section 4.2), 2.3, 2.4, 2.5, 2.6, 2.7, 2.8, 4.3 and 5.2 shall survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement.

4.2 Termination for Cause. In addition to and notwithstanding the termination provisions set forth in this Agreement, upon Covered Entity's knowledge of a material breach by Business Associate, Covered Entity shall either:

(a) Provide an opportunity for Business Associate to cure the breach or end the violation and terminate this Agreement if Business Associate does not cure the breach or end the violation within the time specified by Covered Entity;

(b) Immediately terminate this Agreement if Business Associate has breached a material term of this Agreement and cure is not possible; or

(c) If neither termination nor cure is feasible, Covered Entity shall report the violation to the Secretary of the federal Department of Health and Human Services.

4.3 Disposition of Protected Health Information Upon Termination or Expiration.

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, upon termination for any reason or expiration of this Agreement, Business Associate shall return or destroy all Protected Health Information received from Covered Entity, or created or received by Business Associate on behalf of Covered Entity. This provision shall apply to Protected Health Information that is in the possession of subcontractors or agents of Business Associate. Business Associate shall retain no copies of the Protected Health Information.

(b) In the event that Business Associate determines that returning or destroying the Protected Health Information is infeasible, Business Associate shall provide to Covered Entity notification of the conditions that make infeasible. If return or destruction is infeasible, Business Associate shall extend the protections of this Agreement to such Protected Health Information and limit further Uses and Disclosures of such Protected Health Information to those purposes that make the return or destruction infeasible, for so long as Business Associate maintains such Protected Health Information.

MISCELLANEOUS

- 5.1 No Third Party Beneficiaries. Nothing in this Paragraph shall confer upon any person other than the parties and their respective successors or assigns, any rights, remedies, obligations, or liabilities whatsoever.
- 5.2 Use of Subcontractors and Agents. Business Associate shall require each of its agents and subcontractors that receive Protected Health Information from Business Associate, or create Protected Health Information for Business Associate, on behalf of Covered Entity, to execute a written agreement obligating the agent or subcontractor to comply with all the terms of this Addendum.
- 5.3 Relationship to Services Agreement Provisions. In the event that a provision of this Paragraph is contrary to another provision of this Agreement, the provision of this Paragraph shall control. Otherwise, this Paragraph shall be construed under, and in accordance with, the terms of this Agreement.
- 5.4 Regulatory References. A reference in this Paragraph to a section in the Privacy or Security Regulations means the section as in effect or as amended.
- 5.5 Interpretation. Any ambiguity in this Paragraph shall be resolved in favor of a meaning that permits Covered Entity to comply with the Privacy and Security Regulations.
- 5.6 Amendment. The parties agree to take such action as is necessary to amend this Paragraph from time to time as is

necessary for Covered Entity to comply with the requirements of the Privacy and Security Regulation

13. STANDARD PROVISIONS: Attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, is a document labeled STANDARD PROVISIONS, of which the terms and conditions therein contained are part of this Agreement.

14. CONSTRUCTION: To the extent there are any rights, duties, obligations, or responsibilities enumerated in the recitals or otherwise in this Agreement, they shall be deemed a part of the operative provisions of this Agreement and are fully binding upon the parties.

15. CONFLICT OF TERMS: To the extent that there exists any conflict or inconsistency between the language of this Agreement, including its STANDARD PROVISIONS, and that of any Exhibit(s), Attachment(s), and any other documents incorporated herein by reference, the language found within this Agreement shall govern and prevail.

16. ALTERATION OF TERMS: The body of this Agreement, including its STANDARD PROVISIONS, Exhibit(s), and any Attachment(s) attached hereto, fully expresses all understandings of the parties concerning all matters covered and shall constitute the total Agreement. No addition to, or alteration of, the terms of this Agreement, whether by written or verbal understanding of the parties, their officers, employees or agents, shall be valid and effective unless made in the form of a written amendment to this Agreement which is formally approved

and executed by the parties in the same manner as this Agreement.

17. CONTRACTOR'S OFFICE: Contractor's primary business office is located at 2600 Meridian Parkway, Suite 100, Durham, North Carolina. Contractor's primary business telephone number is (919) 433-4300, facsimile/FAX number is (919) 433-4301, and electronic mail ("e-mail") address is info@parata.com. Contractor shall notify County, in writing, of any changes made to Contractor's primary business address, business telephone number, facsimile/FAX number, and/or e-mail address, as listed herein, or any other business address, business telephone number, facsimile/FAX number, and/or e-mail address used in the provision of services herein, at least ten (10) calendar days prior to the effective date(s) thereof but in no event more than ten (10) days after the effective date.

18. NOTICES: Any and all notices required, permitted, or desired to be given hereunder by one party to the other shall be in writing and shall be delivered to the other party personally or by United States mail, certified or registered, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, or overnight courier to the parties at the following addresses and to the attention of the person named. County's Director of Health Services shall have the authority to issue all notices or demands required or permitted by the County under this Agreement. Addresses and persons to be notified may be changed by the parties by giving ten (10) calendar days' prior written notice thereof to the

parties but in no event more than ten (10) days after the effective date.

A. Notices to County shall be addressed as follows:

- (1) Department of Health Services
Contracts and Grants Division
313 North Figueroa Street, Sixth Floor-East
Los Angeles, California 90012-2659
Attention: Director
- (2) Harbor-UCLA Medical Center
General Accounting, Box 479
1000 West Carson Street
Torrance, California 90509
Attention: Chief Executive Officer
- (3) Olive View Medical Center
c/o Invoice Processing
14445 Olive View Drive
Sylmar, California 91342
Attention: Chief Executive Officer
- (4) Rancho Los Amigos National Rehab. Center
c/o Finance Department
7601 East Imperial Highway, SSA Bldg.-Rm
2208
Downey, California 90242
Attention: Chief Executive Officer
- (5) Martin Luther King, Jr.-Harbor Hospital
12021 South Wilmington Avenue
Los Angeles, California 90059
Attention: Chief Executive Officer
- (6) High Desert Health System
44900 North 60th Street, West
Lancaster, California 93536
Attention: Chief Executive Officer
- (7) LAC+USC Medical Center
1200 North State Street
Los Angeles, California 90033
Attention: Chief Executive Officer

B. Notices to Contractor shall be addressed as follows:

Parata Systems, LLC
2600 Meridian Parkway, Suite 100
Durham, North Carolina

Attention: Chief Financial Officer

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Board of Supervisors of the County
of Los Angeles has caused this Agreement to be subscribed by its

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Director of Health Services, and Contractor has caused this Agreement to be subscribed in its behalf by its duly authorized officer, the day, month, and year first above written.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

By _____
Bruce A. Chernof, M.D.
Director and Chief Medical Officer

PARATA SYSTEMS, LLC
Contractor

By 
Signature
Dennis J. Dougherty, Jr.
Print Name

Title Exec. VP of Finance + Business Services
(AFFIX CORPORATE SEAL)

APPROVED AS TO FORM
BY THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL

APPROVED AS TO CONTRACT
ADMINISTRATION:

Department of Health Services

By _____
Cara O'Neill, Chief
Contracts and Grants Division

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STANDARD PROVISIONS

1. ADMINISTRATION: Director shall have the authority to administer this Agreement on behalf of County. Contractor agrees to extend to Director, or to authorized federal, State, County, and local governmental representatives, the right to review and monitor Contractor's program(s), policies, procedures, and financial and/or other records, and to inspect its business offices, facility(ies), and/or County work site area(s), for contractual compliance at any reasonable time.

2. FORM OF BUSINESS ORGANIZATION AND FISCAL DISCLOSURE:

A. Form of Business Organization: Contractor shall prepare and submit to Director upon request, an affidavit, sworn to and executed by Contractor's duly constituted officers, or Board of Directors, containing the following information with supportive documentation:

(1) The form of Contractor's business organization, e.g., sole proprietorship, partnership, limited liability company ("LLC"), or corporation.

(2) Articles of Incorporation (or articles of organization if contractor's organization is an LLC) and By-Laws (or articles of organization, certificate of formation, certificate of registration, and list of members if Contractor's organization is an LLC).

(3) A detailed statement indicating whether Contractor is totally or substantially owned by another

business organization (i.e., another legal entity or parent corporation).

(4) Board Minutes, or other legal documentation, identifying who is authorized on behalf of Contractor to conduct business, make commitments, and enter into binding agreements with County. Such Board Minutes, or legal documentation, shall especially confirm that the person executing this Agreement for Contractor is an authorized agent who has actual authority to bind Contractor to each and every term, condition, and obligation set forth in this Agreement.

(5) A detailed statement indicating whether Contractor totally or partially owns any other business organization that will be providing services supplies, materials, or equipment to Contractor or in any manner does business with Contractor under this Agreement.

(6) If, during the term of this Agreement, the form of Contractor's business organization changes, or the ownership of Contractor changes, or Contractor's authorized person to conduct business, make commitments, and enter into binding agreements with County changes; or Contractor's ownership of other businesses dealings with Contractor under this Agreement changes; Contractor shall notify Director in writing detailing such changes within thirty (30) calendar days prior to the effective date thereof.

B. Fiscal Disclosure: To the extent it is applicable and required by County, Contractor shall prepare and submit to Director upon request, a statement executed by Contractor's duly constituted officers or Board of Directors, containing the following information:

(1) A detailed statement listing all sources of funding to Contractor, including but not limited to, private contributions, if any. The statement shall include the nature of the funding, services to be provided, total dollar amount, and period of time of such funding.

(2) If, during the term of this Agreement, the source(s) of Contractor's funding changes, Contractor shall promptly notify the Director in writing detailing such changes within thirty (30) calendar days prior to the effective date thereof.

3. NONDISCRIMINATION IN SERVICES: Contractor shall not discriminate in the provision of services hereunder because of race, color, religion, national origin, ethnic group identification, ancestry, sex, age, marital status, political affiliation, or physical or mental disability, or sexual orientation in accordance with requirements of federal and State laws. For the purpose of this Paragraph, discrimination in the provision of services may include, but is not limited to, the following: denying any person any service or benefit or the availability of a facility; providing any service or benefit to

any person which is not equivalent, or is provided in a non-equivalent manner or at a non-equivalent time, from that provided to others; subjecting any person to segregation or separate treatment in any manner related to the receipt of any service; restricting any person in any way in the enjoyment of any advantage or privilege enjoyed by others receiving any service or benefit; and treating any person differently from others in determining admission, enrollment quota, eligibility, membership, or any other requirements or conditions which persons must meet in order to be provided any service or benefit. Contractor shall take affirmative action to ensure that intended beneficiaries of this Agreement are provided services without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, ethnic group identification, ancestry, sex, age, marital status, political affiliation, physical or mental disability, or sexual orientation.

In addition, Contractor's facility access for the disabled must fully comply with section 504 of the federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and Title III of the federal Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.

4. NONDISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOYMENT:

A. Contractor certifies and agrees, pursuant to the federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the federal Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, and all other federal and State laws, as they now exist or may hereafter be amended, that it, its affiliates, subsidiaries, or holding companies, will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for

employment because of race, color, religion, national origin, ethnic group identification, ancestry, sex, age, marital status, political affiliation, physical or mental disability, or sexual orientation.

Contractor shall take affirmative action to ensure that qualified applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, ethnic group identification, ancestry, sex, age, marital status, political affiliation, physical or mental disability, or sexual orientation, in accordance with federal and State laws. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and selection for training, including apprenticeship.

Contractor shall post in conspicuous places in each of Contractor's facilities providing services hereunder, positions available and open to employees and applicants for employment, and notices setting forth the provisions of this Paragraph.

B. Contractor shall, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of Contractor, state that all qualified applicants shall receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, ethnic group

identification, ancestry, sex, age, marital status, political affiliation, physical or mental disability, or sexual orientation, in accordance with requirements of federal and State laws.

C. Contractor shall send to each labor union or representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement, or other contract of understanding, a notice advising the labor union or workers' representative of Contractor's commitments under this Paragraph.

D. Contractor certifies and agrees that it shall deal with its subcontractor, bidders, or vendors without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, ethnic group identification, ancestry, sex, age, marital status, political affiliation, physical or mental disability, or sexual orientation, in accordance with requirements of federal and State laws.

E. Contractor shall allow federal, State, and County representatives, duly authorized by Director, access to its employment records during regular business hours in order to verify compliance with the anti-discrimination provisions of this Paragraph. Contractor shall provide such other information and records as such representatives may require in order to verify compliance with the anti-discrimination provisions of this Paragraph.

F. If County finds that any of the provisions of this Paragraph have been violated, the same shall constitute a

material breach of Agreement upon which County may determine to cancel, terminate, or suspend, this Agreement. While County reserves the right to determine independently that the anti-discrimination provisions of this Agreement have been violated, in addition, a determination by the California Fair Employment Practices Commission or the federal Equal Employment Opportunity Commission that Contractor has violated federal or State anti-discrimination laws shall constitute a finding by County that Contractor has violated the anti-discrimination provision of this Agreement.

G. The parties agree that in the event Contractor violates any of the anti-discrimination provisions of this Agreement, County shall be entitled, at its option, to the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) pursuant to California Civil Code section 1671 as liquidated damages in lieu of canceling, terminating, or suspending this Agreement.

5. FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT: Contractor shall comply with all applicable provisions of the federal Fair Labor Standards Act, and shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless County, its officers, employees, and agents from any and all liability including, but not limited to, wages, overtime pay, liquidated damages, penalties, court costs, and attorneys' fees arising under any wage and hour law including, but not limited to, the federal Fair Labor Standards Act for services performed by

Contractor's employees for which County may be found jointly or solely liable.

6. EMPLOYMENT ELIGIBILITY VERIFICATION: Contractor warrants that it fully complies with all federal statutes and regulations regarding employment of undocumented aliens and others, and that all its employees performing services hereunder meet the citizenship or alien status requirements contained in federal statutes and regulations. Contractor shall obtain, from all covered employees performing services hereunder, all verification and other documentation of employment eligibility status required by federal statutes and regulations, as they currently exist and as they may be hereafter amended. Contractor shall retain such documentation for all covered employees for the period prescribed by law. Contractor shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless County, its officers, and employees from employer sanctions and any other liability which may be assessed against Contractor or County in connection with any alleged violation of federal statutes or regulations pertaining to the eligibility for employment of persons performing services under this Agreement.

7. CONTRACTOR'S EXCLUSION FROM PARTICIPATION IN A FEDERALLY FUNDED PROGRAM: Contractor hereby warrants that neither it nor any of its staff members is restricted or excluded from providing services under any health care program funded by the federal government, directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, and that Contractor will notify Director in writing, within thirty (30) calendar days, of: (1) any event that would require

Contractor or a staff member's mandatory exclusion from participation in a federally funded health care program; and (2) any exclusionary action taken by any agency of the federal government against Contractor or one or more staff members barring it or the staff members from participation in a federally funded health care program, whether such bar is direct or indirect, or whether such bar is in whole or in part.

Contractor shall indemnify and hold County harmless against any and all loss or damage County may suffer arising from any federal exclusion of Contractor or its staff members from such participation in a federally funded health care program.

Failure by Contractor to meet the requirements of this Paragraph shall constitute a material breach of contract upon which County may immediately terminate or suspend this Agreement.

8. RULES AND REGULATIONS: During the time that Contractor's employees, or subcontractors are at Medical Center, Contractor and such persons shall be subject to the rules and regulations of Medical Center. Medical Center's Administrator shall furnish a copy of rules and regulations to Contractor pertaining to Medical Center prior to the execution of this Agreement and, during the term of this Agreement, shall furnish Contractor with any changes thereto as from time to time may be adopted. It is the responsibility of Contractor to acquaint itself and such persons who may provide services hereunder with such rules and regulations. Contractor agrees to immediately and permanently withdraw any of its employees or subcontractors from

3. Delegate authority to the Director of Health Services, or his designee, to increase the maximum obligation by no more than 20 percent of the first year maximum obligation for unanticipated maintenance and repair services, with a potential annual maximum obligation of \$107,857, and a potential five-year total of \$539,288.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF THE RECOMMENDATION ACTIONS

In approving the recommended actions, the Board is providing for equipment maintenance and repair services for the automated outpatient pharmaceutical dispensing system at four Department of Health Services' (DHS) outpatient facilities, and delegating authority to the Director of Health Services to add the remaining facilities. The system has been installed in the outpatient pharmacies at LAC+USC Medical Center (LAC+USC), Martin Luther King, Jr.-Harbor Hospital (MLK-Harbor) and Hubert H. Humphrey (Humphrey) and Edward R. Roybal (Roybal) Comprehensive Health Centers.

Along with the equipment purchase, Parata provides a one-year warranty and the warranty commences after the equipment is installed. The maintenance and repair associated with this Agreement begins after the purchase warranty expires. In prior years, DHS obtained these services under a blanket Purchase Order. With the expansion of the equipment in other DHS facilities, the annual cost will increase, requiring a Board contract. Attachment B lists the guaranteed annual cost for services at these facilities.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The annual maximum obligation for the provision of services under this Agreement for the four current DHS facilities is \$145,802 and the five-year total is \$729,010. The potential annual increase for unanticipated maintenance and repair services at the four current facilities is \$29,160 and the five-year potential increase is \$145,800. Funding is included in the Fiscal Year 2007-08 Adopted Budget and will be requested, if necessary, in future fiscal years.

As additional sites are added, the maximum obligation will increase according to the rates listed in Attachment B. If all 11 sites install the equipment, the annual maximum obligation for the 11 sites is \$393,488 and the five-year total is \$1,967,442. The potential annual increase for unanticipated maintenance and repair services at the 11 potential facilities is \$78,697 and the five-year-potential increase is \$393,488. Funding for these additional sites will be addressed as needed in future fiscal years.

The total potential maximum obligation for the provision of services under this Agreement for the four current DHS facilities and the 11 potential sites is \$539,290 for

current services and \$107,858 for unanticipated services totaling a \$647,148 potential maximum annual obligation and a potential five-year maximum obligation of \$3,235,740. The maximum obligation amounts are based on the fixed annual amounts reflected in Attachment B.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

DHS fills over 4 million outpatient prescriptions a year and installed the Parata system to improve the efficiency and accuracy of prescription workflow. DHS has installed the system at four facilities and plans to install the system at the facilities listed in Attachment B.

The system is a workflow dispensing system that has three processes – imaging, packing, and filing. The system automates prescription dispensing using bar-coding with nearly 100 percent accuracy for drug and dosage. By automating the prescription dispensing process, the system frees pharmacists' time to interact with and counsel patients and physicians who prescribe the medications.

The system sets new industry benchmarks for size and performance with a compact machine that counts up to 25 tablets a second, and processes more than 150 prescriptions an hour, or one prescription every 18-25 seconds. It uses a bar-coded maintenance system to ensure accuracy and eliminate the potential for human error. The system enhances, rather than re-engineers pharmacy performance, with features that replenish drugs without interrupting operations, caps completed prescriptions and places them in alphabetical order by patient last name.

Under the Agreement, Parata will provide telephone support 15 hours a day/seven days a week, quarterly preventive maintenance services, system updates, all dispensing machine parts, and if needed, a service technician will arrive no later than four and one-half hours from dispatch including after hours and weekends.

The Agreement includes the latest Board-mandated provisions. Attachment C identifies the negotiated Agreement terms requested by Parata and approved by County Counsel and the Chief Executive Office's Risk Management Office, as appropriate. County Counsel has approved Exhibit I as to form. Attachment A provides additional information. The Chief Information Officer concurs with the Department's recommendation (see Attachment A-I).

DHS has determined that this is not a Proposition A Agreement because the services are provided on a part-time or intermittent basis, and therefore, provisions of the County's Living Wage Program do not apply.

Honorable Board of Supervisors
August 21, 2007
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The administration at each facility will monitor the contractor's performance and assure compliance with the terms and conditions of the Agreements.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

DHS procures the continued maintenance and repair services from the Original Equipment Manufacturer whenever possible especially when a proprietary system is acquired. DHS began purchasing the system from McKesson Automated Systems Inc. several years ago. Parata purchased the outpatient automated pharmaceutical dispensing portion of this company in 2006.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of these actions will allow DHS to ensure the smooth and safe operation of the automated outpatient pharmaceutical dispensing systems.

When approved, the Department of Health Services requires three signed copies of the Board's action.

Respectfully submitted,



WILLIAM T FUJIOKA
Chief Executive Officer

Reviewed by:



Jon W. Fullinwider
Chief Information Officer

WTF:SRH:SAS
DRJ:LT:bjs

Attachments (4)

c: County Counsel
Director and Chief Medical Officer, Department of Health Services
Director, Internal Services Department

SUMMARY OF AGREEMENT

1. TYPE OF SERVICES:

Maintenance and repair services of automated outpatient pharmacy dispensing systems.

2. AGENCY ADDRESS AND CONTACT PERSON:

Parata Systems, LLC
2600 Meridian Parkway, Suite 100
Durham, North Carolina 27713
Attention: Chief Financial Officer
Telephone: (919) 433-4300 Fax: (919) 443-4301
E-mail: info@parata.com

3. TERM:

Effective September 1, 2007 through August 31, 2012 for services at LAC+USC, MLK-Harbor, Humphrey and Roybal and effective one year following installation of the equipment at the remaining 11 DHS facilities.

4. FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

The maximum obligation for the provision of services under this Agreement is \$145,802.05 and the five-year total is \$729,010.25. The total potential annual increase for unanticipated maintenance and repair services is \$29,160 and the five-year potential increase is \$145,800. Funding is included in the Fiscal Year 2007-08 Adopted Budget and will be requested, as necessary, in future fiscal years. As additional sites are added, the maximum obligation will increase according to the rates listed in Attachment B. If all 11 sites install the equipment, the maximum obligation for these sites will be \$539,290. The total potential annual increase for unanticipated maintenance and repair services will be \$107,858 and the five-year potential increase will be \$539,290. Funding for these additional sites will be addressed as needed in future fiscal years.

5. GEOGRAPHIC AREA SERVED:

All Districts.

6. ACCOUNTABILITY FOR PROGRAM MONITORING AND EVALUATION:

Administration at the facilities.

7. APPROVALS:

LAC+USC Medical Center:
MLK-Harbor Hospital:
Humphrey Comprehensive Health Center:
Roybal Comprehensive Health Center:
Contracts and Grants:
County Counsel (approval as to form):

Pete Delgado, CEO
Antionette Smith Epps, CEO
Floretta Taylor, Lead Administrator
Harry Furuya, Acting Administrator
Cara O'Neill, Chief
Andrea E. Ross, Senior Associate County Counsel

**EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR SERVICES
AGREEMENT FOR AUTOMATED OUTPATIENT PHARMACEUTICAL
DISPENSING SYSTEMS WITH PARATA SYSTEMS, LLC**

I. DHS FACILITIES COVERED BY AGREEMENT EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 2007

NO.	FACILITY	ANNUAL AMOUNT	EFFECTIVE DATE
1.	LAC+USC Medical Center Outpatient Department	\$ 41,033.58	September 1, 2007
2.	MLK-Harbor Hospital	\$ 21,844.80	September 1, 2007
3.	Humphrey Comprehensive Health Center	\$ 42,835.34	September 1, 2007
4.	Roybal Comprehensive Health Center	\$ 40,088.33	September 1, 2007
	SUB-TOTAL	\$ 145,802.05	

**II. DHS FACILITIES COVERED BY AGREEMENT ONE-YEAR AFTER EQUIPMENT
INSTALLATION**

NO.	FACILITY	ANNUAL AMOUNT	EFFECTIVE DATE
1.	El Monte Comprehensive Health Center	\$40,539.80	To be determined.
2.	Harbor-UCLA Medical Center	\$43,835.34	To be determined.
3.	High Desert Health System	\$25,276.68	To be determined.
4.	Hudson Comprehensive Health Center	\$35,119.83	To be determined.
5.	LAC+USC Replacement Project	\$56,351.53	To be determined.
6.	Long Beach Comprehensive Health Center	\$41,838.79	To be determined.
7.	Mid-Valley Comprehensive Health Center	\$34,411.12	To be determined.
8.	Olive View-UCLA Medical Center	\$39,542.80	To be determined.
9.	Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center	\$26,221.93	To be determined.
10.	San Fernando Health Center	\$25,073.95	To be determined.
11.	Wilmington Health Center	\$25,276.68	To be determined.
	SUB-TOTAL	\$393,488.45	
	TOTAL	\$539,290.50	

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AGREEMENT PARAGRAPH	REVISED LANGUAGE
INDEMNIFICATION	<p>The following paragraph has been added to the INDEMNIFICATION PARAGRAPH limiting liability between the parties to the annual cost of the Agreement.</p> <p><u>MUTUAL LIMITATION OF LIABILITY:</u> IN NO EVENT WILL EITHER PARTY BE LIABLE TO EACH OTHER FOR ANY SPECIAL, INCIDENTAL, PUNITIVE, INDIRECT OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES. NOTWITHSTANDING ANYTHING HEREIN TO THE CONTRARY (OR IN THE STANDARD PROVISIONS), EACH PARTY'S TOTAL CUMULATIVE LIABILITY (EXCLUDING COUNTY'S PAYMENT OBLIGATIONS HEREUNDER) TO EACH OTHER UNDER THE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS AND WITH RESPECT TO ANY SOFTWARE OR SERVICES DELIVERED UNDER THE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS WILL BE LIMITED TO \$539,000.</p>
TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT	<p>The Paragraph has been revised to give the Contractor 10 days instead of 5 days to cure the failure and adds a reasonableness clause to the County's judgment:</p> <p><u>TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT:</u> County may, by written notice of default to Contractor, terminate this Agreement immediately in any one of the following circumstances:</p> <p>A. If, as determined in the sole <u>and reasonable</u> judgment of County, Contractor fails to perform any services within the times specified in this Agreement or any extension thereof as County may authorize in writing; or</p> <p>B. If, as determined in the sole <u>and reasonable</u> judgment of County, Contractor fails to perform and/or comply with any of the other provisions of this Agreement, or so fails to make progress as to endanger performance of this Agreement in accordance with its terms, and in either of these two (2) circumstances, does not cure such failure within a period of <u>ten</u> (10) calendar days (or such longer period as County may authorize in writing) after receipt of <u>written</u> notice from County specifying such failure.</p>
TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE	<p>The notice period was extended to 180 days for notice of termination from the County standard of 10 days notice.</p>
TERMINATION FOR MATERIAL BREACH	<p>Removed since similar to Termination for Default.</p>

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CIO ANALYSIS

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES (DHS) AGREEMENT WITH PARATA SYSTEMS, LLC, FOR EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR SERVICES FOR AUTOMATED OUTPATIENT PHARMACEUTICAL DISPENSING SYSTEMS

CIO RECOMMENDATION: ☒ APPROVE ☐ APPROVE WITH MODIFICATION
☐ DISAPPROVE

Contract Type:

☒ New Contract ☐ Contract Amendment ☐ Contract Extension
☐ Sole Source Contract ☐ Hardware Acquisition ☐ Other

New/Revised Contract Term: Base Term: 5 Yrs # of Option Yrs 0

Contract Components:

☐ Software ☐ Hardware ☐ Telecommunications
☒ Professional Services

Project Executive Sponsor: Bruce A. Chernof, M.D., Director and Chief Medical Officer

Budget

Information :

	Current Facilities (4)	Planned Facilities (11)	Total all Facilities
Y-T-D Contract Expenditures	\$0	\$0	\$0
Requested Contract Amount:			
5 Year Maintenance	\$729,010	\$1,967,442	\$2,696,452.00
5 Year Contingency	\$145,802	\$ 393,488	\$539,290.00
Aggregate Contract Amount (5 Years)	\$874,812.00	\$2,360,930.00	\$3,235,742.00

Project Background:

Yes	No	Question
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Is this project legislatively mandated?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Is this project subvented? If yes, what percentage is offset?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Is this project/application applicable to (shared use or interfaced) other departments? If yes, name the other department(s) involved?

Strategic Alignment:

Yes	No	Question
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Is this project in alignment with the County of Los Angeles Strategic Plan?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Is this project consistent with the currently approved Department Business Automation Plan?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Does the project's technology solution comply with County of Los Angeles IT Directions Document?
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Does the project technology solution comply with preferred County of Los Angeles IT Standards?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	This contract and/or project and its milestone deliverables must be entered into the Information Technology Tracking System (ITTS).

Project/Contract Description:

This agreement provides for system maintenance and repair services for Parata's automated outpatient pharmaceutical dispensing system (which includes all instruments, apparatuses, machines or other similar or related articles, including operating software and hardware, components, parts, accessories, replacements, and upgrades necessary to run the system) at four (4) outpatient facilities [LAC+USC Medical Center (LAC+USC), Martin Luther King, Jr.-Harbor Hospital (MLK-Harbor) and Hubert H. Humphrey (Humphrey) and Edward R. Roybal (Roybal) Comprehensive Health Centers], and authorizes the Director of Health Services to add maintenance and repair services at up to eleven (11) additional facilities upon the expiration of applicable one-year purchase warranties.

Background:

The Department of Health Services (DHS) first purchased the automated outpatient pharmaceutical dispensing systems currently in use at MLK-Harbor several years ago and recently installed the system at three (3) additional facilities from McKesson Automated Systems Inc. Parata purchased the outpatient automated pharmaceutical dispensing portion of McKesson in 2006.

Along with the equipment purchase, Parata provides a one-year warranty which commences when the equipment is installed. The maintenance and repair associated with this Agreement begins after the purchase warranty expires. This agreement provides for complete systems maintenance and repair subsequent to the expiration of the initial purchase warranties. In prior years, DHS obtained these services under a blanket Purchase Order with the annual amount averaging \$22,000. With the expansion of the equipment in other DHS facilities, the annual cost will increase requiring a Board contract.

Project Justification/Benefits:

DHS fills over 4 million outpatient prescriptions a year and installed the Parata system to improve the efficiency and accuracy of prescription workflow. DHS currently has the Parata system installed at four facilities and plans to install the system at eleven (11) additional facilities on yet to be determined dates.

The Parata system automates prescription dispensing using bar-coding with nearly 100% accuracy for drug and dosage. By automating the prescription dispensing process, the system frees pharmacists' time to interact with and counsel patients and physicians who prescribe the medications.

Under the Agreement, Parata will provide telephone support 15 hours a day/seven days a week, quarterly preventive maintenance services, system updates, all dispensing machine parts, and whenever needed, a service technician.

Since the Parata system is proprietary to Parata and as such, Parata is considered the Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM), only they can provide the necessary maintenance and support.

Project Metrics:

DHS will be monitoring the effectiveness of Parata's services in accordance with a very comprehensive Statement of Work that is included as a component of the agreement that details the contractor's responsibilities. Parata's performance will be measured against the expectations detailed in that Statement of Work.

Impact on Service Delivery or Department Operations, if Proposal is not Approved:

If this agreement is not approved, the support and maintenance necessary to keep this very critical system up and operating properly will not be provided. Ultimately, these systems would fail and all the benefits realized through its use would be lost.

Alternatives Considered:

Since the automated outpatient pharmaceutical dispensing systems covered under this agreement are proprietary to Parata, no other alternatives were considered.

Project Risks:

The only discernable risk inherent in this agreement would be the contractor's failure to perform the required services.

Risk Mitigation Measures:

A very comprehensive Statement of Work accompanies the agreement that will be used by DHS to ensure the contractor is performing all services required under the agreement in the time frames delineated therein.

Financial Analysis:

For the existing four (4) facilities:

The annual obligation for maintenance services under this Agreement is \$145,802 or approximately \$729,010 for five years. Additionally, there is a potential annual increase of \$29,160 for repair contingencies, for a five-year contingency total of \$145,802. The five-year maximum total for the four (4) facilities is \$874,812.

For the anticipated 11 additional facilities:

As the Parata system is installed at additional outpatient sites (on yet to be determined dates), the annual obligation could potentially increase by \$393,488 for a five-year total of \$1,967,442 for maintenance services at these facilities. Additionally, there is a potential annual increase of \$78,697 for contingencies, for a five-year contingency total of \$393,485. The five year maximum for the anticipated 11 facilities will not exceed \$2,360,930.

The maximum obligation under this Agreement will not exceed \$3,235,742.

CIO Concerns:

None.

CIO Recommendations:

Recommend Board approval of the proposed agreement.

CIO APPROVAL

Date Received: August 3, 2007

Prepared by: Earl Bradley

Date: August 6, 2007

Approved: 

Date: July 8, 2007

the provision of services hereunder upon receipt of written notice from the Director that: (1) such employee or subcontractor has violated such rules or regulations, or (2) such employee's or subcontractor's actions while on County premises, indicate that such employee or subcontractor may adversely affect the delivery of health care services to County patients. The Director must submit with such notice a written statement of the facts supporting any such alleged violation or action.

9. STAFF PERFORMANCE OF SERVICES WHILE UNDER THE INFLUENCE: Contractor shall ensure that no employee or other person under Contractor's control, performs services hereunder while under the influence of any alcoholic beverage, medication, narcotic, or other substance that might impair his/her physical or mental performance.

10. UNLAWFUL SOLICITATION: Contractor shall inform all of its officers and employees performing services hereunder of the provisions of Article 9 of Chapter 4 of Division 3 (commencing with section 6150) of Business and Professions Code of the State of California (i.e., State Bar Act provisions regarding unlawful solicitation as a runner or capper for attorneys) and shall take positive and affirmative steps in its performance hereunder to ensure that there is no violation of said provisions by its officers and employees. Contractor agrees to utilize the attorney referral service of all those bar associations within Los Angeles County that have such a service.

11. AUTHORIZATION WARRANTY: Contractor hereby represents and warrants that the person executing this Agreement for Contractor is an authorized agent who has actual authority to bind Contractor to each and every term, condition, and obligation set forth in this Agreement and that all requirements of Contractor have been fulfilled to provide such actual authority.

12. COUNTY LOBBYISTS: Each County lobbyist as defined in Los Angeles County Code Section 2.160.010, retained by Contractor, shall fully comply with the County Lobbyist ordinance, Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.160. Failure on the part of any County lobbyist retained by Contractor to fully comply with the County Lobbyist Ordinance shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement upon which County may immediately terminate or suspend this Agreement.

13. RESTRICTIONS ON LOBBYING: If any federal monies are to be used to pay for Contractor's services under this Agreement, Contractor shall comply with all such certification and disclosure requirements prescribed by Section 319, Public Law 101-121 (31 United States Code Section 1352) and any implementing regulations, and shall ensure that each of its subcontractors receiving funds provided under this Agreement also fully comply all such certification and disclosure requirements. County shall notify Contractor in advance regarding payment of possible federal monies to Contractor under this Agreement.

14. COUNTY'S QUALITY ASSURANCE PLAN: The County or its agents will evaluate Contractor's performance under this

Agreement on not less than an annual basis. Such evaluation will include assessing Contractor's compliance with all contract terms and performance standards. Contractor deficiencies which Director determines are severe or continuing and that may place performance of the Agreement in jeopardy if not corrected will be reported to County's Board of Supervisors. The report will include improvement/corrective action measures taken by Director and Contractor. If improvement does not occur consistent with the corrective action measures, County may terminate Agreement or impose other penalties as specified in Agreement.

15. RECORDS AND AUDITS:

A. Service Records: Contractor shall maintain, and provide upon request by County, accurate and complete records of its activities and operations as they relate to the provision of services, hereunder.

B. Financial Records: Contractor shall prepare and maintain on a current basis, complete financial records in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and also in accordance with any additional accounting principles and procedures, and standards, which may from time to time be promulgated by Director. All such records shall be sufficient to substantiate all charges billed to County in the performance of this Agreement. Further, all financial records of Contractor pertaining to this Agreement, including accurate books and records of accounts of its costs and operating expenses, and all records of services

(including personnel provided), as well as other financial records pertaining to this Agreement, shall be retained by Contractor for a minimum period of five (5) years following the expiration or prior termination of this Agreement.

During such five (5) year period, as well as during the term of this Agreement, all records pertaining to this Agreement, or true and correct copies thereof, including but not limited to, those records described above, shall either: (1) be retained by Contractor, accessible for review by County representatives at a location in Los Angeles County, or (2) if retained by Contractor at a location outside of Los Angeles County, moved from such a location, to a location within Los Angeles County for review, upon Director's request, and made available during County's normal business hours, within ten (10) calendar days, to representatives of County, or federal and State governments, for purposes of inspection and audit. In the event such records are located outside Los Angeles County and Contractor is unable to move such records to Los Angeles County, then Contractor shall permit such inspection or audit to take place at an agreed to outside location, and Contractor shall pay County for travel, per diem, and other costs related to such inspection and audit.

Contractor shall further agree to provide such records, when possible, immediately to County by facsimile/FAX, or through the internet (i.e., electronic mail ["e-mail"]),

upon Director's request. Director's request shall include appropriate County facsimile/FAX number(s) and/or e-mail address(es) for Contractor to provide such records to County. In any event, Contractor shall agree to make available the original documents of such FAX and e-mail records when requested by Director for review as described hereinabove.

C. Federal Access to Records: If, and to the extent that, section 1861 (v) (1) (I) of the Social Security Act [42 United States Code ("U.S.C.") section 1395x (v) (1) (I)] is applicable, Contractor agrees that for a period of five (5) years following the furnishing of services under this Agreement, Contractor shall maintain and make available, upon written request, to the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services or the Comptroller General of the United States, or to any of their duly authorized representatives, this Agreement, books, documents, and records of Contractor which are necessary to verify the nature and extent of the cost of services provided hereunder. Furthermore, if Contractor carries out any of the services provided hereunder through any subcontract with a value or cost of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) or more over a twelve (12) month period with a related organization (as that term is defined under federal law), Contractor agrees that each such subcontract shall

provide for such access to the sub-contract, books, documents and records of the subcontractor.

D. County To Be Provided Audit Report(s): In the event that an audit is conducted of Contractor specifically regarding this Agreement by any federal or State auditor, or any auditor or accountant employed by Contractor or otherwise, Contractor shall file a copy of each such audit report with Director and County's Auditor-Controller within thirty (30) calendar days of Contractor's receipt thereof, unless otherwise provided under this Agreement, or under applicable federal or State regulations. To the extent permitted by law, County shall maintain the confidentiality of such audit report(s). Failure of Contractor to comply with these terms shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement upon which County may cancel, terminate, or suspend this Agreement.

E. Audit/Compliance Review: In the event County representatives conduct an audit/compliance review of Contractor, Contractor shall fully cooperate with County's representatives. Contractor shall allow County representatives access to all records of services rendered and all financial records and reports pertaining to this Agreement and shall allow photocopies to be made of these documents utilizing Contractor's photocopier, for which County shall reimburse Contractor its customary charge for record copying services, if requested. Director shall

provide Contractor with at least ten (10) working days prior written notice of any audit/compliance review, unless otherwise waived by Contractor.

County may conduct a statistical sample audit/compliance review of all claims paid by County during a specified period. The sample shall be determined in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. An exit conference shall be held following the performance of such audit/compliance review at which time the results shall be discussed with Contractor. Contractor shall be provided with a copy of any written evaluation reports.

Contractor shall have the opportunity to review County's findings on Contractor, and Contractor shall have thirty (30) calendar days after receipt of County's audit/compliance review results to provide documentation to County representatives to resolve the audit exceptions. If, at the end of the thirty (30) calendar day period, there remains audit exceptions which have not been resolved to the satisfaction of County's representatives, then the exception rate found in the audit, or sample, shall be applied to the total County payment made to Contractor for all claims paid during the audit/compliance review period to determine Contractor's liability to County.

F. County Audit Settlements: If, at any time during the term of this Agreement or at any time within five (5) years after the expiration or earlier termination of this

Agreement, authorized representatives of County conduct an audit of Contractor regarding the services provided to County hereunder and if such audit finds that County's dollar liability for such services is less than payments made by County to Contractor, then Contractor agrees that the difference shall be either: (1) repaid forthwith by Contractor to County by cash payment, or (2) at Director's option, deducted from any further amount due Contractor from County. If such audit finds that County's dollar liability for services provided hereunder is more than payments made by County to Contractor, then the difference shall be paid forthwith to Contractor by County by cash payment.

16. REPORTS: Contractor shall make reports as required by County, or DHS, concerning Contractor's activities and operations as they relate to this Agreement and the provision of services hereunder. In no event, however may County, or DHS, require such reports unless Director has provided Contractor with at least thirty (30) calendar days' prior written notification thereof. Director's notification shall provide Contractor with a written explanation of the procedures for reporting the information required.

17. CONFIDENTIALITY: To the extent that Contractor may gain access hereunder to County patient records and information, Contractor shall maintain the confidentiality of such records and information from third parties, including but not limited to, billings and County records, in accordance with all applicable

federal, State, and local laws, ordinances, rules, regulations, and directives relating to confidentiality. Contractor shall inform all its officers, employees, agents, subcontractors, and others providing services hereunder of this confidentiality provision requirement.

18. CONTRACTOR PERFORMANCE DURING CIVIL UNREST OR DISASTER:

Contractor recognizes that health care facilities maintained by County provide care essential to the residents of the communities they serve, and that these services are of particular importance at the time of a riot, insurrection, civil unrest, natural disaster, or similar event. Notwithstanding any other provision of this contract, full performance by Contractor during any riot, insurrection, civil unrest, natural disaster or similar event is not excused if such performance remains physically possible.

Failure to comply with this requirement shall be considered a material breach by Contractor for which County may immediately terminate this Agreement.

19. PROHIBITION AGAINST ASSIGNMENT AND DELEGATION:

A. Contractor shall not assign its rights or delegate its duties under this Agreement, or both, whether in whole or in part, without the prior written consent of County. Any assignment or delegation which does not have such prior County consent shall be null and void. For purposes of this Paragraph, such County consent shall require a written amendment to this Agreement which is formally approved and executed by the parties. Any billings to County by any

delegatee or assignee on any claim under this Agreement, absent such County's consent, shall not be paid by County. Any payments by County to any delegatee or assignee on any claim under this Agreement, in consequence of any such County consent, shall reduce dollar for dollar any claims which Contractor may have against County and shall be subject to setoff, recoupment or other reduction of claims which County may have against Contractor, whether under this Agreement or otherwise.

B. Shareholders or partners, or both, of Contractor may sell, exchange, assign, divest, or otherwise transfer any interest they may have therein. However, in the event any such sale, exchange, assignment, divestment or other transfer is effected in such a way as to give majority control of Contractor to any person(s), corporation, partnership or legal entity other than the majority controlling interest therein at the time of execution of this Agreement, then prior written consent thereof by County's Board of Supervisors shall be required. Any payments by County to Contractor on any claim under this Agreement shall not waive or constitute such County consent. Consent to any such sale, exchange, assignment, divestment, or other transfer shall be refused only if County, in its sole judgement, determines that the transferee(s) is (are) lacking in experience, capability and financial ability to

perform all Agreement services and other work. This in no way limits any County right found elsewhere in this Agreement, including, but not limited to, any right to terminate this Agreement.

C. Any assumption, assignment, delegation, or takeover of any of the Contractor's duties, responsibilities, obligations, or performance of same by any entity other than the Contractor, whether through assignment, subcontract, delegation, merger, buyout, or any other mechanism, with or without consideration for any reason whatsoever without County's express prior written approval, shall be a material breach of the Agreement which may result in the termination of the Agreement. In the event of such termination, County shall be entitled to pursue the same remedies against Contractor as it could pursue in the event of default by Contractor.

20. COMPLIANCE WITH JURY SERVICE PROGRAM:

A. Jury Service Program: This Agreement is subject to the service provisions of the County's ordinance entitled Contractor Employee Jury Service ("Jury Service Program") as codified in Sections 2.203.010 through 2.203.090 of the Los Angeles County Code.

B. Written Employee Jury Service Policy:

(1) Unless Contractor has demonstrated to County's satisfaction either that Contractor is not a

"contractor" as defined under the Jury Service Program (Section 2.203.020 of the County Code) or that Contractor qualifies for an exception to the Jury Service Program (Section 2.203.070 of the County Code), Contractor shall have and adhere to a written policy that provides that its employees shall receive from Contractor, on an annual basis, no less than five (5) days of regular pay for actual jury service served. Contractor's policy may further provide that employees deposit any fees received for such jury service with Contractor or that Contractor deduct from the employee's regular pay the fees received for jury service.

(2) For purpose of this Paragraph, and as set forth in the Jury Service Program provision of the County Code as described hereinabove: "Contractor" shall mean a person, partnership, corporation, or other entity, that has a contract with County, or a subcontract with a County contractor, and has received, or will receive, an aggregate sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) or more in any twelve (12) month period under one (1) or more County contracts or subcontracts; "employee" shall mean any California resident who is a full-time employee of Contractor; and "full-time" shall mean forty (40) hours or more worked per week, or a lesser number of hours, if: 1) the

lesser number is a recognized industry standard as determined by County, or 2) Contractor has a long-standing practice that defines the lesser number of hours as full-time.

Full-time employees providing short-term temporary services of ninety (90) days or less within a twelve (12) month period are not considered full-time for purposes of the Jury Service Program. If Contractor uses any subcontractor to perform services for County under this Agreement, the subcontractor shall also be subject to the provisions of this Paragraph. The provisions of this Paragraph shall be inserted into any such subcontract agreement and a copy of the Jury Service Program shall be attached to the agreement.

(3) If Contractor is not required to comply with the Jury Service Program on the effective date of this Agreement, Contractor shall have a continuing obligation to review the applicability of its "exception status" from the Jury Services Program, and Contractor shall immediately notify County if Contractor at any time either comes within the Jury Service Program's definition of "Contractor", or if Contractor no longer qualifies for an exception to the Jury Service Program. In either event, Contractor shall immediately implement a written policy consistent with the Jury Service Program. County may also

require, at any time during the Agreement term, and at its sole discretion, that Contractor demonstrate to County's satisfaction that Contractor either continues to remain outside of the Jury Service Program's definition of "Contractor" and/or that Contractor continues to qualify for an exception to the Jury Service Program.

(4) Contractor's violation of this Paragraph of the Agreement may constitute a material breach of this Agreement. In the event of such breach, County may, in its sole discretion, terminate this Agreement and/or bar Contractor from the award of future County contracts for a period of time consistent with the seriousness of the breach.

21. LICENSES, PERMITS, REGISTRATIONS, ACCREDITATIONS, AND CERTIFICATES: Contractor shall obtain and maintain in effect during the term of this Agreement, all appropriate licenses, permits, registrations, accreditations, and certificates required by all applicable federal, State, and local laws, regulations, guidelines and directives, for the operation of its business operation and for the provisions of services hereunder. Contractor shall ensure that all of its officers, employees, and agents who perform services hereunder, obtain and maintain in effect during the term of this Agreement, all licenses, permits, registrations, accreditations, and certificates required by federal, State, and local laws, regulations, guidelines and

directives, which are applicable to their performance hereunder. Upon Director's written request Contractor shall provide Director with a copy of each license, permit, registration, accreditation, and certificate, as required by all applicable federal, State, and local laws, regulations, guidelines and directives, within ten (10) calendar days thereafter.

22. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR STATUS:

A. This Agreement is by and between County and Contractor and is not intended, and shall not be construed, to create the relationship of employee, agent, servant, partnership, joint venture, or association, as between County and Contractor. The employees and agents of one party shall not be, or be construed to be, employees or agents of the other party for any purpose whatsoever.

B. Contractor shall be solely liable and responsible for providing to, or on behalf of, its officers and employees all legally required employee benefits. County shall have no liability or responsibility for the payment of any salaries, wages, unemployment benefits, disability benefits, federal, State, and local taxes, or other compensation, benefits, or taxes to, or on behalf of, any personnel provided by Contractor.

C. Contractor understands and agrees that all persons furnishing services to County pursuant to this Agreement are, for purposes of workers' compensation liability, the sole employees of Contractor and not employees of County.

Contractor shall bear the sole responsibility and liability for furnishing workers' compensation benefits to any person for injuries arising from or connected with services performed by or on behalf of Contractor pursuant to this Agreement.

23. REQUIREMENT TO NOTIFY EMPLOYEES ABOUT FEDERAL EARNED INCOME CREDIT ("EIC"): Contractor shall notify its employees, and shall require that each of its subcontractors notify its employees, to inform them that they may be eligible for claiming federal EIC as allowed under the federal income tax laws. Such notification shall be provided in accordance with the requirements as set forth in the Department of Treasury Internal Revenue Service's ("IRS") Notice 1015; copies of which, are available from the IRS Forms Distribution Center, by calling (800) 829-3676.

24. CONTRACTOR'S WARRANTY OF ADHERENCE TO COUNTY'S CHILD SUPPORT COMPLIANCE PROGRAM: Contractor acknowledges that County has established a goal of ensuring that all individuals who benefit financially from County through contract are in compliance with their court-ordered child, family, and spousal support obligations in order to mitigate the economic burden otherwise imposed upon County and its taxpayers.

As required by County's Child Support Compliance Program (County Code Chapter 2.200) and without limiting Contractor's duty under this Agreement to comply with all applicable provisions of law, Contractor warrants that it is now in

compliance and shall during the term of this Agreement maintain in compliance with employment and wage reporting requirements as required by the federal Social Security Act [(42 USC section 653(a)] and California Unemployment Insurance Code section 1088.55, and shall implement all lawfully served Wage and Earnings Withholdings Orders or Child Support Services Department ("CSSD") Notices of Wage and Earnings Assignment for Child, Family, or Spousal Support, pursuant to Code of Civil Procedure section 706.031 and Family Code section 5246(b).

25. TERMINATION FOR BREACH OF WARRANTY TO MAINTAIN COMPLIANCE WITH COUNTY'S CHILD SUPPORT COMPLIANCE PROGRAM:

Failure of Contractor to maintain compliance with the requirements set forth in "Contractor's Warranty of Adherence to County's Child Support Compliance Program" Paragraph immediately above, shall constitute default by Contractor under this Agreement. Without limiting the rights and remedies available to County under any other provision of this Agreement failure of Contractor to cure such default within ninety (90) calendar days of written notice shall be grounds upon which County may terminate this Agreement pursuant to the TERMINATION Paragraphs of this Agreement and pursue debarment of Contractor, pursuant to County Code Chapter 2.202.

26. NOTICE TO EMPLOYEES REGARDING THE SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW: The Contractor shall notify and provide to its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify and provide to its employees, a fact sheet regarding the Safely

Surrendered Baby Law, its implementation in Los Angeles County, and where and how to safely surrender a baby. The fact sheet is attached hereto and incorporated herein, and is also available on the Internet at www.babysafela.org for printing purposes.

27. CONTRACTOR'S ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTY'S COMMITMENT TO THE SAFELY SURRENDERED BABY LAW: The Contractor acknowledges that the County places a high priority on the implementation of the Safely Surrendered Baby Law. The Contractor understands that it is the County's policy to encourage all County Contractors to voluntarily post the County's "Safely Surrendered Baby Law" poster in a prominent position at the Contractor's place of business. The Contractor will also encourage its Subcontractors, if any, to post this poster in a prominent position in the Subcontractor's place of business. The County's Department of Children and Family Services will supply the Contractor with the poster to be used.

28. CONSIDERATION OF COUNTY'S DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES ("DPSS") GREATER AVENUES FOR INDEPENDENCE ("GAIN") PROGRAM OR GENERAL RELIEF OPPORTUNITY FOR WORK ("GROW") PARTICIPANTS FOR EMPLOYMENT: Should Contractor require additional or replacement personnel after the effective date of this Agreement, Contractor shall give consideration for any such employment openings to participants in the County's DPSS GAIN or GROW program(s), who meet Contractor's minimum qualifications for the open position. For this purpose, consideration shall mean that Contractor will interview qualified candidates. County will

refer GAIN/GROW participants by job category to the Contractor. In the event that both laid-off County employees and GAIN/GROW participants are available for hiring, County employees shall be given first priority.

29. COUNTY EMPLOYEE'S RIGHT OF FIRST REFUSAL AND CONTRACTOR'S OFFERS OF EMPLOYMENT: To the degree permitted by Contractor's agreements with its collective bargaining units, Contractor shall give the right of first refusal for its employment openings at Contractor's facility to qualified County employees who are laid-off or who leave County employment in lieu of reduction under County's Civil Service Rule 19, and who are referred to Contractor by Director (including those on a County re-employment list). Such offers of employment shall be limited to vacancies in Contractor's staff needed to commence services under this Agreement, as well as, to vacancies that occur during the Agreement term. Such offers of employment shall be consistent with Contractor's current employment policies, and shall be made to any former or current County employee who has made application to Contractor, and is qualified for the available position. Employment offers shall be at least under the same conditions and rates of compensations which apply to other persons who are employed or may be employed by Contractor. Former County employees who have been impacted by County's Civil Service Rule 19, and who are employed by Contractor shall not be discharged during the term of the Agreement except for cause,

subject to Contractor's personnel policies and procedures, and agreement(s) with its collective bargaining units.

Contractor shall also give first consideration to laid-off or reduced County employees if vacancies occur at Contractor's other service sites during the Agreement term.

30. NO INTENT TO CREATE A THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARY CONTRACT:

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the parties do not in any way intend that any person shall acquire any rights as a third party beneficiary under this Agreement.

31. SERVICE DELIVERY SITE - MAINTENANCE STANDARDS:

Contractor shall assure that the California location(s) [e.g., facility(ies)] where Contractor provides services under this Agreement, is/are operated at all times in accordance with all County and local community standards with regard to property maintenance and repair, graffiti abatement, refuse removal, fire safety, landscaping, and in full compliance with all applicable local laws, ordinances, and regulations relating to the property. County's periodic monitoring visits to Contractor's California facility(ies) shall include a review of compliance with the provisions of this Paragraph.

32. DAMAGE TO COUNTY BUILDINGS, FACILITIES, OR GROUNDS:

Contractor shall repair, or cause to be repaired, at its own cost, any damage to County buildings, facilities, or grounds, caused by Contractor or any officer, employee, or agent of Contractor. Such repairs shall be made immediately after

Contractor has become aware of such damage, but in no event, later than thirty (30) calendar days after the occurrence.

If Contractor fails to make timely repairs, County may make any necessary repairs on its own. All costs incurred by County for such repairs, as determine by Director, shall be repaid by Contractor upon demand.

33. USE OF RECYCLED - CONTENT BOND PAPER: Consistent with County's Board of Supervisors policy to reduce the amount of solid waste deposited at County landfills, Contractor agrees to use recycled-content bond paper and paper products to the maximum extent possible in connection with services to be performed by Contractor under this Agreement.

34. NOTICE OF DELAYS: Except as otherwise provided under this Agreement, when either party has knowledge that any actual or potential situation is delaying or threatens to delay the timely performance of this Agreement, that party shall within two (2) calendar days, give notice thereof, including all relevant information with respect thereto, to the other party.

35. CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

A. No County officer or employee whose position in County enables such officer or employee to influence the award or administration of this Agreement or any competing agreement, and no spouse or economic dependent of such officer or employee shall be employed in any capacity by Contractor herein, or have any other direct or indirect financial interest in this Agreement. No officer, employee,

agent, or subcontractor of Contractor who may financially benefit from the provision of services hereunder shall in any way participate in County's approval process for the award of this Agreement or any competing agreement, or ongoing evaluation of such services, under this Agreement or any competing agreement, or in any way attempt to unlawfully influence County's approval or ongoing evaluation of such services.

B. Contractor shall comply with all conflict of interest laws, ordinances, and regulations now in effect or hereafter to be enacted during the term of this Agreement. Contractor warrants that it is not now aware of any facts which create a conflict of interest. If Contractor hereafter becomes aware of any facts which might reasonably be expected to create a conflict of interest, it shall immediately make full written disclosure of such facts to Director. Full written disclosure shall include, without limitation, identification of all persons involved, or implicated, and a complete description of all relevant circumstances.

36. TERMINATION FOR INSOLVENCY: County may terminate this Agreement immediately for default in the event of the occurrence of any of the following:

A. Insolvency of Contractor. Contractor shall be deemed to be insolvent if it has ceased to pay its debts at least sixty (60) calendar days in the ordinary course of

business or cannot pay its debts as they become due, whether Contractor has committed an act of bankruptcy or not, and whether Contractor is insolvent within the meaning of the federal Bankruptcy Law or not;

B. The filing of a voluntary or involuntary petition under the federal Bankruptcy Law;

C. The appointment of a Receiver or Trustee for Contractor;

D. The execution by Contractor of an assignment for the benefit of creditors.

The rights and remedies of County provided in this Paragraph shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Agreement.

37. TERMINATION FOR DEFAULT: County may, by written notice of default to Contractor, terminate this Agreement immediately in any one of the following circumstances: a) If, as determined in the sole and reasonable judgment of County, Contractor fails to perform any services within the times specified in this Agreement or any extension thereof as County may authorize in writing; or b) If, as determined in the sole and reasonable judgment of County, Contractor fails to perform and/or comply with any of the other provisions of this Agreement, or so fails to make progress as to endanger performance of this Agreement in accordance with its terms, and in these circumstances, does not cure such failure within a period of ten (10) calendar days (or such longer period

as County may authorize in writing) after receipt of written notice from County specifying such failure.

In the event that County terminates this Agreement as provided hereinabove, County may procure, upon such terms and in such manner as County may deem appropriate, services similar to those so terminated, and Contractor shall be liable to County for any reasonable excess costs incurred by County for such similar services.

The rights and remedies of County provided in this Paragraph shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this Agreement.

38. TERMINATION FOR IMPROPER CONSIDERATION: County may, by written notice to Contractor, immediately terminate Contractor's right to proceed under this Agreement, if it is found that consideration in any form, were offered or given by Contractor, either directly or through an intermediary, to any County officer, employee, or agent, with the intent of securing the Agreement or securing favorable treatment with respect to the award, amendment, or extension of the Agreement, or making of any determinations with respect to the Contractor's performance pursuant to the Agreement. In the event of such termination, County shall be entitled to pursue the same remedies against Contractor as it could in the event of default by Contractor.

Contractor shall immediately report any attempt by a County officer, employee, or agent, to solicit such improper consideration. The report shall be made either to the County

manager charged with the supervision of the employee or agent, or to the County Auditor-Controller's Employee Fraud Hotline at (213) 974-0914 or (800) 544-6861.

(Among other items, such improper considerations may take the form of cash, discounts, services, the provision of travel or entertainment, or other tangible gifts).

39. TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE: The performance of services under this Agreement may be terminated, with or without cause, in whole or in part, from time to time when such action is deemed by County to be in its best interest. Termination of services hereunder shall be effected by delivery to Contractor of a one hundred eighty (180) calendar day advance Notice of Termination specifying the extent to which performance of services under this Agreement is terminated and the date upon which such termination becomes effective.

After receipt of a Notice of Termination and except as otherwise directed by County, Contractor shall:

(1) Stop services under this Agreement on the date and to the extent specified in such Notice of Termination; and

(2) Complete performance of such part of the services as shall not have been terminated by such Notice of Termination. Further, after receipt of a Notice of Termination, Contractor shall submit to County, in the form and with the certifications as may be prescribed by County, its termination claim and invoice. Such claim and invoice shall be submitted promptly, but not later than sixty (60)

calendar days from the effective date of termination. Upon failure of Contractor to submit its termination claim and invoice within the time allowed, County may determine on the basis of information available to County, the amount, if any, due to Contractor in respect to the termination, and such determination shall be final. After such determination is made, County shall pay Contractor the amount so determined.

Contractor for a period of five (5) years after final settlement under this Agreement, in accordance with the RECORDS AND AUDITS Paragraph, herein, retain and make available all its books, documents, records, or other evidence, bearing on the costs and expenses of Contractor under this Agreement in respect to the termination of services hereunder.

40. TERMINATION FOR NON-APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS:

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, County shall not be obligated for preventive maintenance and repair services performed hereunder, or by any provision of this Agreement, during any of County's future July 1 - June 30 fiscal years unless and until County's Board of Supervisors appropriates funds for this Agreement in County's Budget for each such future fiscal year. In the event that funds are not appropriated for this Agreement, then this Agreement shall be deemed to have terminated on June 30 of the last County fiscal year for which funds were appropriated. Director shall notify Contractor in

writing of such non-appropriation of funds at the earliest possible date.

41. CONTRACTOR RESPONSIBILITY AND DEBARMENT:

A. A responsible Contractor is a Contractor who has demonstrated the attribute of trustworthiness, as well as quality, fitness, capacity and experience to satisfactorily perform the contract. It is County's policy to conduct business only with responsible contractors.

B. Contractor is hereby notified that, in accordance with Chapter 2.202 of the County Code, if County acquires information concerning the performance of Contractor on this or other contracts, which indicates that Contractor is not responsible, County may, in addition to other remedies provided in the contract, debar Contractor from bidding or proposing on, or being awarded, and/or performing work on County contracts for a specified period of time, which generally will not exceed five (5) years or be permanent if warranted by the circumstances, and terminate any or all existing contracts Contractor may have with County.

C. County may debar Contractor if County's Board of Supervisors finds, in its discretion, that Contractor has done any of the following: (1) violated a term of a contract with County or a nonprofit corporation created by County, (2) committed an act or omission which negatively reflects on Contractor's quality, fitness or capacity to perform a contract with County, any other public entity, or a

nonprofit corporation created by County, or engaged in a pattern or practice which negatively reflects on same, (3) committed an act or offense which indicates a lack of business integrity or business honesty, or (4) made or submitted a false claim against County or any other public entity.

D. If there is evidence that Contractor may be subject to debarment, the Department will notify Contractor in writing of the evidence which is the basis for the proposed debarment and will advise Contractor of the scheduled date for a debarment hearing before the Contractor Hearing Board.

E. The Contractor Hearing Board will conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed debarment is presented. Contractor and/or Contractor's representative shall be given an opportunity to submit evidence at that hearing. After the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board shall prepare a tentative proposed decision, which shall contain a recommendation regarding whether contractor should be debarred, and if so, the appropriate length of time of the debarment. Contractor and the Department shall be provided an opportunity to object to the tentative proposed decision prior to its presentation to the Board of Supervisors.

F. After consideration of any objections, or if no objections are submitted, a record of the hearing, the

proposed decision and any other recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board shall be presented to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors shall have the right at its sole discretion to modify, deny, or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Hearing Board.

G. If a Contractor has been debarred for a period longer than five (5) years, that Contractor may, after the debarment has been in effect for at least five (5) years, submit a written request for review of the debarment determination to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. County may, in its discretion, reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment if it finds that Contractor has adequately demonstrated one or more of the following: (1) elimination of the grounds for which the debarment was imposed; (2) a bona fide change in ownership or management; (3) material evidence discovered after debarment was imposed; or (4) any other reason that is in the best interests of County.

H. The Contractor Hearing Board will consider a request for review of a debarment determination only where (1) the Contractor has been debarred for a period longer than five (5) years; (2) the debarment has been in effect for at least five (5) years; and (3) the request is in writing, states one or more of the grounds for reduction of the debarment period or termination of the debarment, and includes supporting documentation. Upon receiving an

appropriate request, the Contractor Hearing Board will provide notice of the hearing on the request. At the hearing, the Contractor Hearing Board shall conduct a hearing where evidence on the proposed reduction of debarment period or termination of debarment is presented. This hearing shall be conducted and the request for review decided by the Contractor Hearing Board pursuant to the same procedures as for a debarment hearing.

The Contractor Hearing Board's proposed decision shall contain a recommendation on the request to reduce the period of debarment or terminate the debarment. The Contractor Hearing Board shall present its proposed decision and recommendation to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors shall have the right to modify, deny, or adopt the proposed decision and recommendation of the Contractor Hearing Board

I. These terms shall also apply to any subcontractors of County Contractors.

42. SOLICITATION OF BIDS OR PROPOSALS: Contractor acknowledges that County, prior to expiration or earlier termination of this Agreement, may exercise its right to invite bids or request proposals for the continued provision of the services delivered or contemplated under this Agreement. County and/its DHS shall make the determination to solicit bids or request proposals in accordance with applicable County and DHS policies.

Contractor acknowledges that County may enter into a contract for the future provision of services, based upon the bids or proposals received, with a provider or providers other than Contractor. Further, Contractor acknowledges that it obtains no greater right to be selected through any future invitation for bids, or request for proposals, by virtue of its present status as Contractor.

43. GOVERNING LAW, JURISDICTION, AND VENUE: This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of California. Contractor agrees and consents to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of the State of California for all purposes regarding this Agreement and further agrees and consents that the venue of any action (other than an appeal or an enforcement of a judgment) brought by Contractor, on Contractor's behalf, or on the behalf of any subcontractor, which arises from this Agreement or is concerning or connected with services performed pursuant to this Agreement, shall be exclusively in the courts of the State of California located in Los Angeles County, California.

44. WAIVER: No waiver of any breach of any provision of this Agreement by County shall constitute a waiver of any other breach of such provision. Failure of County to enforce at any time, or from time-to-time, any provision of this Agreement shall not be construed as a waiver thereof. The remedies herein reserved shall be cumulative and additional to any other remedies in law or equity.

45. SEVERABILITY: If any provision of this Agreement or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of this Agreement and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

46. COVENANT AGAINST CONTINGENT FEES:

A. Contractor warrants that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure this Agreement upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee, excepting bona fide employees or bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by Contractor for the purpose of securing business.

B. For breach or violation of this warranty, County shall have the right to terminate this Agreement and, in its sole discretion, to deduct from the payment or consideration, or otherwise recover, the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee.

EXHIBIT A

STATEMENT OF WORK

PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR SERVICES OF
AUTOMATED OUTPATIENT PHARMACY WORKFLOW SOFTWARE SYSTEM

1. SCOPE OF WORK: Contractor shall provide services described in this Exhibit A for Systems listed in attached Schedule 1, attached hereto and referenced herein and County shall pay the fees for the applicable term upon receipt of an approved invoice. Contractor's services shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

- A. Routine Preventive Maintenance Services;
- B. As-needed trouble-shooting and Systems Repair Services; and
- C. Telephone technical support.

2. DEFINITIONS: Unless otherwise expressly provided or the context otherwise requires, the following definitions for the terms identified below shall be understood to be the meaning of such terms where used in this Exhibit A.

- A. "System(s)" shall mean an instrument, apparatus, machine, or other similar or related article, including all operating software and hardware, components, parts, accessories, replacements, and/or upgrades, which is

intended for the automated dispensing of pharmaceuticals to Facility patient(s).

B. "Routine Preventive Maintenance Services" shall mean services performed by Contractor to ensure that the Systems will be capable of performing in all material respects in accordance with their Functional Specifications and maintaining such performance.

C. "Repair Services" shall mean the restoration of System so that it is performing in all material respects in accordance with its Functional Specifications, on an as-needed basis, as may be required by the Facility. The repair process may also include all software and hardware updates, enhancements, interfaces, and corrections.

3. CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL:

A. Contractor shall designate an administrator to lead and coordinate Contractor's day-to-day provision of services described hereunder. Contractor's administrator shall be available at all reasonable times (Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.), excluding County holidays, to act as a central point of contact with County personnel.

Contractor shall notify County, in writing, of the name, telephone (e.g., cellular [cell phone]), pager, and

facsimile/FAX number(s) of Contractor's designated day-to-day administrator within ten (10) calendar days prior to the effective date of this Agreement.

B. Contractor's administrator (or administrator's designee) shall be responsible for determining daily work duties, staffing levels, scheduling, and staffing hours needed to properly provide services hereunder, which shall be prepared in writing and submitted to the Director for approval, before any such services are provided. During the term of this Agreement, Contractor shall have available and shall provide upon request to authorized representatives of Director, the names of Contractor's staff (including any subcontractor staff), their titles, professional degrees (if any), salary history, training and experience in providing services hereunder.

C. Contractor's administrator shall institute and maintain appropriate supervision of all persons providing services pursuant to this Agreement. Further, unless directed pursuant to this Agreement by Director to do otherwise, Contractor shall work independently on designated assignments in accordance with the Statement of Work duties contained hereunder.

D. Contractor service personnel shall be appropriately licensed, certified, credentialed, or trained to perform the Preventive Maintenance and Repair Services hereunder.

E. Contractor shall assume the sole responsibility for the timely completion of all activities assigned or to be performed hereunder.

4. COUNTY PERSONNEL: County does not anticipate assigning County personnel or employees to assist Contractor on a full-time basis regarding services to be provided by Contractor pursuant to this Agreement. However, County personnel will be made available to Contractor at the discretion of Director to provide necessary input and assistance in order to answer questions and provide necessary liaisons between Contractor and County. In any event, County further will provide Contractor with an appropriate contact person at each work site location to be served under this Agreement.

5. COUNTY FURNISHED SERVICES, SUPPLIES, AND PROPERTY:

A. DATA ARCHIVAL AND BACK-UP: County is responsible for all data archival, including the back-up of any data stored on any hard drive before servicing, performing daily back-up procedures to maintain the integrity of all media and archived data.

B. SUPPLIES: County will purchase and maintain all necessary labels, pill vials, closures or caps, and tape media.

C. PROPERTY: At the Director's sole discretion, County may assign space, chairs, and desks, on a non-exclusive basis, for work area and related use by Contractor. In the event the Director assigns space to the Contractor, Contractor shall use the space only for the purpose of the performance of services hereunder. Contractor is prohibited from use of such space, desks, and chairs for the purposes other than the performance of this Agreement.

At the Director's sole discretion, County may provide access to telephones, fax machines, typewriters, and photocopying equipment, on a non-exclusive basis, for the purpose of Contractor's performance of this Agreement. Contractor is prohibited from use of such equipment for the purposes other than for the performance of this Agreement.

6. SERVICES TO BE PERFORMED BY CONTRACTOR:

Contractor shall provide the following services for Systems listed in Schedule 1 and sufficient staff to ensure compliance with response times and repair commitments:

A. Routine Preventive Maintenance Services:

Contractor shall provide each Facility with a Preventive Maintenance Service Schedule for all Systems covered under this Agreement. This Schedule shall delineate all preventive maintenance services required to ensure that the equipment is performing in all material respects in accordance with their Functional Specifications.

Contractor shall perform routine Preventive Maintenance Services for Systems covered under this Agreement in no event no less than once per quarter which are included in the rates and frequency set forth in Schedule 1. Such services shall be performed during each Facility's operating hours, on days and times mutually agreed upon by Facility and Contractor. Routine Preventive Maintenance Services shall be performed at regularly scheduled intervals and in no event shall the number of scheduled Routine Preventive Maintenance Services be less than four (4) per year at a rate of one per quarter. The scheduled number of Preventive Maintenance Services shall meet the reasonable needs of each Facility and shall comply with all appropriate licensing and accrediting agencies [e.g., The Joint Commission, Occupational Safety and Health Administration ("OSHA"), and Title 22]. In any event,

Contractor shall ensure that the System(s) is maintained in accordance with the Functional Specifications when purchased and to minimum regulatory compliance standards.

B. Telephone Technical Support: Telephone support will be provided 8:00 am to 11 p.m. (Eastern standard time) seven (7) days per week, excluding the following holidays: New Year's Day, Christmas Day, Thanksgiving, Memorial Day, July 4th, and Labor Day. During holidays and after call center hours, Contractor shall provide access to a designated Parata representative via pager/cell phone.

C. As-Needed System Troubleshooting and Repair Services: Contractor shall commence as-needed troubleshooting and repair services (emergency and non-emergency), as required by each Facility, within four and a half (4.5) hours after notification by the Facility, twenty-four (24) hours per day, seven (7) days per week at no additional cost to County.

Such services shall include all labor and parts, including any necessary system enhancements necessary to correct issue.

D. Additional Services:

(1) Hardware and Software: Contractor shall provide enhanced hardware and software support which

includes, software corrections/fixes/updates/upgrades and enhancements, hardware updates/upgrades and enhancements, remote configuration (reprograms) and hardware replacements or repair.

(2) Policies and Procedures: Contractor shall provide policies and procedures and supplies to perform the data archival and back-up.

(3) Cell/cassette component exchange program: If cell/cassette components require calibration due to a County change of drug manufacturer, Facilities will not be charged for the first 50% of cell/cassette components that are replaced in each year where maintenance is provided. The fee per exchange above fifty percent (50%) per year is Ninety-Five Dollars (\$95.00) per cell/cassette.

(4) Breakage and/or Loss: Contractor shall replace and/or repair (at the time of servicing) any Systems and/or parts thereof which suffer breakage, damage or loss at the time of servicing or repair, which is caused by the negligence or willful misconduct of Contractor, and to the extent thereof, at no additional cost to County.

(5) Rework: Contractor shall rework improperly repaired Systems, correct any damage resulting therefrom, and supply all necessary parts, materials, and necessary software modifications at no additional cost to County. Contractor service personnel shall also repair any defective parts purchased and installed by such service personnel and shall repair any damage to the Systems resulting from, and to the extent of, Contractor's negligence or willful misconduct, at no additional cost to County.

(6) Reports: Contractor shall prepare and maintain a written record of all services (service report) provided on each System at the Facility. Such service report(s) shall: (a) meet all licensing, accrediting and regulatory agency requirements, (b) clearly identify the System serviced by model number, serial number, Los Angeles County Capital Asset Leasing or Los Angeles County number (if available), (c) include an itemization and description of services performed, including electrical checks and calibration reading and preventive maintenance, (d) list any parts installed, (e) include the service date(s), and (f) give the name of the service technician who performed

the service. A copy of such service report shall be given to the Facility at the time the service is performed. Such service reports are the property of County and shall remain on-site at each Facility.

7. EQUIPMENT PERFORMANCE STANDARDS: The System shall be considered out-of-service if the System is inoperable and unusable or the Facility reasonably initiates down-time procedures due to lack of system or equipment functionality (in either case, not due to those items set forth in the definition of excluded services, or a force majeure event). When a System is out-of-service, if Contractor is not able to commence on-site services within four and a half (4.5) hours from the time of initial County call, County shall receive a credit from Contractor equal to 1/12 of the annual maintenance fee associated with the particular facility System that was out of service. Failure of County to request credit in the following month's invoices shall not constitute a waiver of such right which may be exercised at any subsequent time.

If said System is out-of-service an aggregate of ten percent (10%) or more of a thirty (30) consecutive calendar day period, it shall be considered a default and County shall have the right to give Contractor notice thereof.

8. GENERAL CONTRACTOR REQUIREMENTS:

A. Business License: Prior to the execution of this Agreement, Contractor shall provide the Department of

Health Services, Contracts and Grants Division with a copy of its current business license(s) and appropriate Employer Identification Number.

B. Recruitment: Contractor shall screen all personnel prior to assigning such personnel to provide services at the Facility to assure that all such persons have the qualifications and training necessary to perform the services contemplated under this Agreement. All such service personnel shall be appropriately licensed, certified, credentialed, registered or trained to perform the maintenance and repair services and shall have, as a minimum, knowledge and expertise in the following areas:

- (1) Diagnosis and inspection of each System to determine system maintenance and repair needs;
- (2) Preventive maintenance of the System according to defined schedule for optimal performance;
- (3) Electrical and safety inspections, as necessary, of System; and
- (4) Calibration and functional testing, as necessary.

C. Contractor Personnel Qualifications: Contractor personnel providing services hereunder shall obtain and maintain in effect during the term of this Agreement, all

licenses, permits, registrations and certificates required by law which are applicable to their performance hereunder. Copies of such licenses, permits, registrations and certificates shall be made available to County upon request for purposes of inspection and audit.

D. Infection Control: If any of Contractor's personnel are diagnosed with having an infectious disease, and Contractor is made aware of such a diagnosis and such person has had contact with a County employee or patient during the usual incubation period for such infectious disease, then Contractor shall report such occurrences to Facility's Infection Control Department within twenty-four (24) hours of becoming aware of the diagnosis.

If a County employee or patient is diagnosed with having an infectious disease, and such County employee or patient has had contact with Contractor's personnel during the usual incubation period for such infectious disease, each Facility shall report such occurrences to Contractor.

For purposes of this Agreement, the infectious diseases reportable hereunder are those listed in the Public Health List of Reportable Diseases.

E. Physical Examination: Contractor shall ensure that each person who performs services at a Facility site

under this Agreement is examined by a licensed physician, or other licensed medical practitioner authorized to perform such physical examinations, on an annual basis or biannual basis, as required by each Facility based on such person's work location. Upon request by Director or his designee, Contractor shall provide County, with evidence that each such person is free of infectious and/or contagious disease(s) which would interfere with the person's ability to perform the services hereunder or which could be transmitted in the work place at each Facility. Such evidence shall include documentation that the person:

- (1) received a physical examination, including a chest X-ray or tuberculin skin test, and
- (2) is immune to measles (Rubeola and Rubella) and Hepatitis B through vaccination or anti-body titer test demonstrating such immunity.

In those instances where persons have no demonstrated immunity, and have refused vaccination, a waiver to that effect must be on file and provided upon request.

Written certification that such person is free of infectious disease(s), has been tested and/or vaccinated as required above, and physically able to perform the duties described herein shall be retained by Contractor for purposes of inspection and audit and made available to County upon request.

10. EXCLUSIONS: Contractor is not financially responsible to provide the repair services above should any repair be

required by causes other than ordinary use of the System, as determined by County. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth herein or in any of the contract documents, such causes include, but are not limited to:

A. Improper use or gross neglect, Facility electrical system malfunction or failure;

B. County's negligence or failure to comply with the operating manuals;

C. Acts of God, fires, floods, war, acts of sabotage, riots, accidents, or other causes;

D. Relocation of automated equipment and Non-Contractor, non-County personnel work on System without Contractor's prior approval. In the event that these services as defined are required by any County facility, such excluded services shall be billed separately to County;

E. The fault of any third party hardware or software not provided or approved by Contractor;

F. Moving, relocating or servicing the Systems by anyone other than a Contractor certified technician or without Contractor's approval;

G. Upgrades (as defined in the purchase agreement by and between County and Contractor).

11. BILLING AND PAYMENT:

A. Billing:

(1) Billings to County shall be submitted annually in arrears in accordance with the rate schedule set forth in this Exhibit A and Schedule 1.

(2) All billings hereunder shall be by Facility, shall be in duplicate, and shall be forwarded to the appropriate Facility and address as specified in the Agreement, BILLING AND PAYMENT Paragraph.

(3) All billings hereunder shall clearly reflect and provide reasonable details of the services for which claim is made, a description of services performed, the date(s) of such services, and shall include a copy of the service report(s). Any billing for travel expenses shall not exceed the current County approved rates.

(4) All billings rendered by Contractor shall be in the name of Contractor as said name appears on the first page of this Agreement and shall include the County contract number.

(5) Billings for the Cell/Cassette component exchange program for recalibration shall be Ninety-Five Dollars (\$95) per cell/cassette after the first fifty percent (50%) of cell/cassette components have

been exchanged at each Facility in each maintenance year.

B. Payment:

(1) Subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement and upon receipt of a complete and correct billing statement, and upon approval by Director of same which shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed, County shall reimburse Contractor within thirty (30) calendar days in arrears upon receipt of Contractor's billing(s). County shall pay for all services which County considers complete and correct in County's reasonable discretion. Payment for incorrect billings shall be included when resolved in the next payment cycle.

(2) County shall compensate Contractor annually in arrears in accordance with the rate schedule described in Schedule 1.

All pre-existing payment obligations of County will survive termination of the contract documents. Director shall evaluate all services and tasks performed by Contractor. If, in the Director's sole and reasonable discretion, a service or task is not satisfactorily performed, Director shall provide Contractor with a written

assessment. Contractor shall, within ten (10) business days of receipt of Director's assessment, remedy any identified deficiencies and/or issues, at no additional cost to County. This approval process shall be repeated until Director deems all deficiencies and/or issues have been remedied.

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SCHEDULE I - ANNUAL MAINTENANCE COSTS FOR 5 YEARS

Effective September 1, 2007 through August 31, 2012

DHS FACILITY	ANNUAL MAINTENANCE COST	PHARMACY 2000 CONFIGURATION	AccuMed Cabinets
LAC+USC Med. Ctr. OPD	\$ 41,033.58	4 Image, 5 Fill, 6 Check Stations, 3 Packing Boxes	10
Roybal Comp. Health Ctr.	\$ 40,088.33	4 Image, 5 Fill, 5 Check Stations, 3 Packing Boxes	10
Hudson Comp. Health Ctr.	\$ 35,119.83	3 Image, 3 Fill, 3 Check Stations, 3 Packing Boxes	10
EL Monte Comp. Health Ctr.	\$ 40,539.80	4 Image, 4 Fill, 5 Check Stations, 3 Packing Boxes	10
LAC+USC Replacement Project	\$ 56,351.53	14 Image, 6 Fill, 6 Check Stations, 6 Packing Boxes	6
Long Beach Comp. Health Ctr.	\$ 41,838.79	4 Image, 4 Fill, 5 Check Stations, 1 Packing Box	12
Humphrey Comp. Health Ctr.	\$ 42,835.34	4 Image, 4 Fill, 5 Check Stations, 3 Packing Boxes	12
Harbor-UCLA Med. Ctr.	\$ 43,971.14	5 Image, 4 Fill, 6 Check Stations, 1 Packing Box	12
Wilmington Health Ctr.	\$ 25,276.68	2 Image, 2 Fill, 2 Check Stations, 1 Packing Box	5
Olive View-UCLA Med. Ctr.	\$ 39,542.80	4 Image, 4 Fill, 5 Check Stations, 1 Packing Box	10
Mid Valley Comp. Health Ctr.	\$ 34,411.12	4 Image, 3 Fill, 3 Check Stations, 1 Packing Box	8
San Fernando Health Ctr.	\$ 25,073.95	2 Image, 2 Fill, 3 Check Stations, 1 Packing Box	4
High Desert Health System	\$ 25,276.68	2 Image, 2 Fill, 2 Check Stations, 1 Packing Box	5
Rancho Los Amigos National Rehab. Ctr.	\$ 26,221.93	2 Image, 2 Fill, 3 Check Stations, 1 Packing Box	5
Martin L. King, Jr.-Harbor Hospital	\$ 21,844.80	2 Image, 2 Fill, 4 Check Stations, 2 Packing Boxes 12 SuperCells / 184 Cassettes	
TOTAL	\$ 539,426.30		

For excluded services, per Exclusions Paragraph, the hourly rate is \$150 plus travel and expenses that cannot exceed the current County approved rates.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES CONTRACTOR EMPLOYEE JURY SERVICE PROGRAM CERTIFICATION FORM AND APPLICATION FOR EXCEPTION

The County's solicitation for this Request for Proposals is subject to the County of Los Angeles Contractor Employee Jury Service Program (Program), Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.203. All proposers, whether a contractor or subcontractor, must complete this form to either certify compliance or request an exception from the Program requirements. Upon review of the submitted form, the County department will determine, in its sole discretion, whether the proposer is exempt from the Program.

Company Name:		
Company Address:		
City:	State:	Zip Code:
Telephone Number:		
Solicitation For _____ Services):		

If you believe the Jury Service Program does not apply to your business, check the appropriate box in Part I (attach documentation to support your claim); or, complete Part II to certify compliance with the Program. Whether you complete Part I or Part II, please sign and date this form below.

Part I: Jury Service Program is Not Applicable to My Business

- ☐ My business does not meet the definition of "contractor," as defined in the Program, as it has not received an aggregate sum of \$50,000 or more in any 12-month period under one or more County contracts or subcontracts (this exception is not available if the contract itself will exceed \$50,000). I understand that the exception will be lost and I must comply with the Program if my revenues from the County exceed an aggregate sum of \$50,000 in any 12-month period.

- ☐ My business is a small business as defined in the Program. It 1) has ten or fewer employees; and, 2) has annual gross revenues in the preceding twelve months which, if added to the annual amount of this contract, are \$500,000 or less; and, 3) is not an affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of operation, as defined below. I understand that the exception will be lost and I must comply with the Program if the number of employees in my business and my gross annual revenues exceed the above limits.

"Dominant in its field of operation" means having more than ten employees, including full-time and part-time employees, and annual gross revenues in the preceding twelve months, which, if added to the annual amount of the contract awarded, exceed \$500,000.

"Affiliate or subsidiary of a business dominant in its field of operation" means a business which is at least 20 percent owned by a business dominant in its field of operation, or by partners, officers, directors, majority stockholders, or their equivalent, of a business dominant in that field of operation.

- ☐ My business is subject to a Collective Bargaining Agreement (attach agreement) that expressly provides that it supersedes all provisions of the Program.

OR

Part II: Certification of Compliance

- ☐ My business has and adheres to a written policy that provides, on an annual basis, no less than five days of regular pay for actual jury service for full-time employees of the business who are also California residents, or my company will have and adhere to such a policy prior to award of the contract.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information stated above is true and correct.

Print Name:	Title:
Signature:	Date:

No shame.

No blame.

No names.

**Newborns can be safely given up
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What is the Safely Surrendered Baby Law?

California's Safely Surrendered Baby Law allows parents to give up their baby confidentially. As long as the baby has not been abused or neglected, parents may give up their newborn without fear of arrest or prosecution.

How does it work?

A distressed parent who is unable or unwilling to care for a baby can legally, confidentially and safely give up a baby within three days of birth. The baby must be handed to an employee at a Los Angeles County emergency room or fire station. As long as the child shows no signs of abuse or neglect, no name or other information is required. In case the parent changes his or her mind at a later date and wants the baby back, workers will use bracelets to help connect them to each other. One bracelet will be placed on the baby, and a matching bracelet will be given to the parent.

What if a parent wants the baby back?

Parents who change their minds can begin the process of reclaiming their newborns within 14 days. These parents should call the Los Angeles County Department of Children and Family Services at 1-800-540-4000.

Can only a parent bring in the baby?

In most cases, a parent will bring in the baby. The law allows other people to bring in the baby if they have legal custody.

Does the parent have to call before bringing in the baby?

No. A parent can bring in a baby anytime, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week so long as the parent gives the baby to someone who works at the hospital or fire station.

Does a parent have to tell anything to the people taking the baby?

No. However, hospital personnel will ask the parent to fill out a questionnaire designed to gather important medical history information, which is very useful in caring for the child. Although encouraged, filling out the questionnaire is not required.

What happens to the baby?

The baby will be examined and given medical treatment, if needed. Then the baby will be placed in a pre-adoptive home.

What happens to the parent?

Once the parent(s) has safely turned over the baby, they are free to go.

Why is California doing this?

The purpose of the Safely Surrendered Baby Law is to protect babies from being abandoned by their parents and potentially being hurt or killed. You may have heard tragic stories of babies left in dumpsters or public bathrooms. The parents who committed these acts may have been under severe emotional distress. The mothers may have hidden their pregnancies, fearful of what would happen if their families found out. Because they were afraid and had nowhere to turn for help, they abandoned their infants. Abandoning a baby puts the child in extreme danger. It is also illegal. Too often, it results in the baby's death. Because of the Safely Surrendered Baby Law, this tragedy doesn't ever have to happen in California again.

A baby's story

At 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, July 25, 2002, a healthy newborn baby was brought to St. Bernardine Medical Center in San Bernardino under the provisions of the California Safely Surrendered Baby Law. As the law states, the baby's mother did not have to identify herself. When the baby was brought to the emergency room, he was examined by a pediatrician, who determined that the baby was healthy and doing fine. He was placed with a loving family while the adoption process was started.

Every baby deserves a chance for a healthy life. If someone you know is considering abandoning a newborn, let her know there are other options.

It is best that women seek help to receive proper medical care and counseling while they are pregnant. But at the same time, we want to assure parents who choose not to keep their baby that they will not go to jail if they deliver their babies to safe hands in any Los Angeles County hospital ER or fire station.

Sin pena. Sin culpa. Sin peligro.

**Los recién nacidos pueden ser entregados
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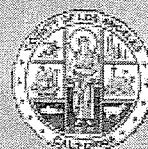
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¿Qué es la Ley de Entrega de Bebés Sin Peligro?

La Ley de Entrega de Bebés Sin Peligro de California permite a los padres entregar a su recién nacido confidencialmente. Siempre que el bebé no haya sufrido abuso ni negligencia, padres pueden entregar a su recién nacido sin temor a ser arrestados o procesados.

¿Cómo funciona?

El padre/madre con dificultades que no pueda o no quiera cuidar de su recién nacido puede entregarlo en forma legal, confidencial y segura, dentro de los tres días del nacimiento. El bebé debe ser entregado a un empleado de una sala de emergencias o de un cuartel de bomberos del Condado de Los Angeles. Siempre que el bebé no presente signos de abuso o negligencia, no será necesario suministrar nombres ni información alguna. Si el padre/madre cambia de opinión posteriormente y desea recuperar a su bebé, los trabajadores utilizarán brazaletes para poder vincularlos. El bebé llevará un brazaletes y el padre/madre recibirá un brazaletes igual.

¿Qué pasa si el padre/madre desea recuperar a su bebé?

Los padres que cambien de opinión pueden empezar el proceso de redamar a su recién nacido dentro de los 14 días. Estos padres deberán llamar al Departamento de Servicios para Niños y Familias (Department of Children and Family Services) del Condado de Los Angeles, al 1-800-540-4000.

¿Sólo los padres podrán llevar al recién nacido?

En la mayoría de los casos, los padres son los que llevan al bebé. La ley permite que otras personas lleven al bebé si tienen la custodia legal del menor.

¿Los padres deben llamar antes de llevar al bebé?

No. El padre/madre puede llevar a su bebé en cualquier momento, las 24 horas del día, los 7 días de la semana, mientras que entregue a su bebé a un empleado del hospital o de un cuartel de bomberos.

¿Es necesario que el padre/madre diga algo a las personas que reciben al bebé?

No. Sin embargo, el personal del hospital le pedirá que llene un cuestionario con la finalidad de recabar antecedentes médicos importantes, que resultan de gran utilidad para los cuidados que recibirá el bebé. Es recomendado llenar este cuestionario, pero no es obligatorio hacerlo.

¿Qué ocurrirá con el bebé?

El bebé será examinado y, de ser necesario, recibirá tratamiento médico. Luego el bebé se entregará a un hogar preadoptivo.

¿Qué pasará con el padre/madre?

Una vez que los padres hayan entregado a su bebé en forma segura, serán libres de irse.

¿Por qué California hace esto?

La finalidad de la Ley de Entrega de Bebés Sin Peligro es proteger a los bebés del abandono por parte de sus padres y de la posibilidad de que mueran o sufran daños. Usted probablemente haya escuchado historias trágicas sobre bebés abandonados en basureros o en baños públicos. Es posible que los padres que cometieron estos actos hayan estado atravesando dificultades emocionales graves. Las madres pueden haber ocultado su embarazo, por temor a lo que pasaría si sus familias se enteraran. Abandonaron a sus recién nacidos porque tenían miedo y no tenían adonde recurrir para obtener ayuda. El abandono de un recién nacido lo pone en una situación de peligro extremo. Además es ilegal. Muy a menudo el abandono provoca la muerte del bebé. Ahora, gracias a la Ley de Entrega de Bebés Sin Peligro, esta tragedia ya no debe suceder nunca más en California.

Historia de un bebé

A las 8:30 a.m. del jueves 25 de julio de 2002, se entregó un bebé recién nacido saludable en el St. Bernardine Medical Center en San Bernardino, en virtud de las disposiciones de la Ley de Entrega de Bebés Sin Peligro. Como lo establece la ley, la madre del bebé no se tuvo que identificar. Cuando el bebé llegó a la sala de emergencias, un pediatra lo revisó y determinó que el bebé estaba saludable y no tenía problemas. El bebé fue ubicado con una buena familia, mientras se iniciaban los trámites de adopción.

Cada recién nacido merece una oportunidad de tener una vida saludable. Si alguien que usted conoce está pensando en abandonar a un recién nacido, infórmele qué otras opciones tiene.

Es mejor que las mujeres busquen ayuda para recibir atención médica y asesoramiento adecuado durante el embarazo. Pero al mismo tiempo, queremos asegurarles a los padres que optan por no quedarse con su bebé que no irán a la cárcel si dejan a sus bebés en buenas manos en cualquier sala de emergencia de un hospital o en un cuartel de bomberos del Condado de Los Angeles.